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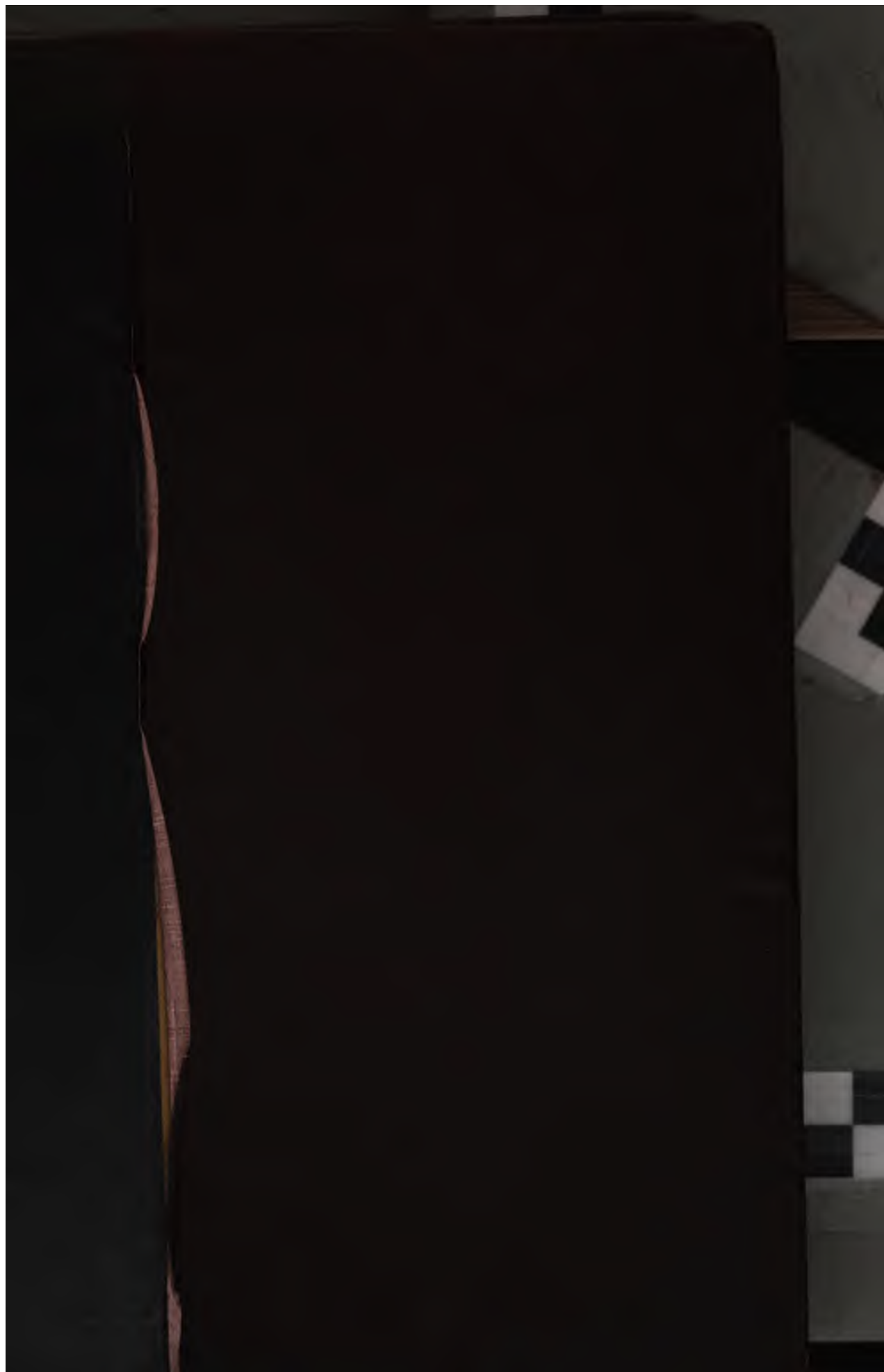
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## EDITOR'S PREFACE.

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THE Third Volume of the Corporation Diary, from 1630 to 1640, embraces those ten years of seeming tranquillity which preceded the convulsion of the Great Civil War :—a period which has been characterized by Prof. S. R. Gardiner as “the Personal Government of Charles the First.” It may be desirable to say a few words as to the state of affairs at this period, so far as they affected the Town of Reading.

POLITICAL EVENTS. During this long interval no Parliament was summoned in England, and the measures employed by the King to raise a sufficient revenue for the purposes of Government were of such an arbitrary character as to render his administration unpopular, and to arouse a smouldering spirit of discontent throughout the country. In the course of this volume we shall find frequent references to these vexatious and often obsolete methods of indirect Taxation :—such as the levying of Ship-Money in a time of profound peace ; heavy fines imposed for declining to accept the honour of Knighthood, and even for the discontinuance of the practice of Archery. Notwithstanding these extreme measures, it was barely possible to carry on the ordinary expenditure of the Kingdom, and the feeling of irritation against Taxation, without Representation, continued to increase year by year.

With this growth of political grievances there were at the same time other causes of discontent. A large party in the Church longed for its further reformation on Calvinistic lines, and were impatient of the severe and rigorous laws which had been passed for the enforcement of Uniformity in doctrine and discipline. References will be found in this Volume to the unpopular Courts of the Star Chamber and High Commission. The case of Lodowick Bowyer, in 1633 (recorded on p. 207), is an instance of the barbarous sentences inflicted by the Star Chamber, which caused this Court to be regarded as an engine of tyranny and made it a byword of hatred throughout the Kingdom. Again, the Foreign policy of the Court had been disastrous both in France and Spain. As regards Germany the loss of the Palatinate was still felt as a National dishonour ; while the old hostility against the House of Austria,

which sought to enforce the Roman obedience by the subversion of Protestantism, was stronger than ever. The Order of Council for the enrolment of 6,000 English Volunteers, to be employed in the service of Gustavus Adolphus, King of Sweden (*page* 73), was cheerfully adopted by the Townsmen of Reading, who bore the charges of ten Volunteers for this service, in 1631; and the Portrait of the great Protestant King, the "Lion of the North," still occupies a place of honour in the Council Chamber of Reading.

MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS. The most memorable event in our Municipal transactions at this time was the obtaining of a new Charter from the Crown, enlarging in several respects the Charter conferred by Queen Elizabeth. The Charter of Charles the First, dated at Westminster, December 17, 1638, contained the following special provisions:—(1) Instead of the Nine Capital and Sixteen Secondary Burgesses, appointed by the Charter of Elizabeth, there were to be, in future, Thirteen Aldermen (of whom the Mayor was to be one), with Twelve Assistants, a Steward of the Borough (now Recorder), to be elected by the Mayor and Aldermen, and two Burgesses to be elected as Chamberlains. Virtually the chief authority was in the hands of the Mayor and Aldermen, although the Assistants could vote in the election of a Mayor. (2) Ample powers were conferred for the government and regulation of Trade and for holding property to an enlarged amount. (3) The Mayor, Deputy Mayor, the Bishop of the Diocese (Salisbury), or his Chancellor, the Senior Alderman, or the last precedent Mayor, to be Justices of the Peace, two of which may be a Quorum, the Mayor, or Deputy Mayor, being one.

It is noticeable that the preamble to this Charter emphatically asserts those exalted claims of high prerogative which subsequently led to the outbreak of the Civil War. We may remark that the Charter of Charles the First, modified by some trifling changes in succeeding reigns, was practically the governing Charter of the Municipality until the Corporation Reform Act of 1836. It is to be hoped that this and other valuable Charters in the possession of the Corporation may be published hereafter in a separate volume.

At the close of this Volume (in 1640) we arrive at that eventful period of English History, which was to decide the long impending struggle between the Crown and the Commons. In the 'Short' Parliament, which met April 13, and was unwisely dissolved by the King on May 5, the two Members returned for Reading were Sir Edward Herbert, Solicitor-General, at the request of Laud,



and Sir John Berkeley, on the nomination of Lord Holland, the High Steward. Both resigned within a few days, and on April 30, Sir Francis Knollys, Sen., and his son, Sir Francis Knollys, Jun., were elected in their stead. The famous Long Parliament was summoned on Nov. 3 in the same year. An attempt was made by Lord Holland to obtain the nomination of his son-in-law, Sir James Thynne, as one of the Members. But the times were too serious for such interference: so that Sir Francis Knollys and his son were again returned to represent the Town of Reading in that memorable Assembly.

TRADE AND COMMERCE. In spite of the efforts made to revive the Cloth trade by the munificent endowment of John Kendrick, in 1624, it seems to have been gradually declining as the staple industry of Reading, and we find the Corporation petitioning the Council of State to place it on a better footing. The abuse of Monopolies, especially in the sale of Tobacco, was also a subject of complaint; and the restrictions against freedom of Trade were a constant source of irritation. The old jealousy against "foreigners," or aliens, still existed, and none were allowed to exercise any trade or handicraft in the Town unless they had been previously admitted as freemen. Under this rigorous system of Protection, the commerce of the Town developed but slowly.

Notwithstanding these drawbacks, we may describe the condition of Reading during the ten years previous to the Civil War as being on the whole prosperous and improving. It increased considerably in population, and extent of buildings. In 1632 and 1635 we find notices of Emigration to the Colonies of New England and the Bermudas. By a Royal order, obtained through the intervention of Archbishop Laud, various improvements were effected, in the removal of the Shambles from the principal thoroughfare, and in the paving of the Causeways. The Diary during these ten years reveals a state of marked progress; and if the interference with trade by Royal Proclamation was sometimes injurious, yet it occasionally led to advantageous reforms in the internal government, and sanitary condition of the Town.

SOCIAL ASPECTS. With regard to the Social condition of Reading at this time, we find constant allusions to the prevalence of the Plague, which broke out in 1637 with great virulence, having spread from London to the adjacent Counties. Prompt measures seem to have been taken by the Corporation for its suppression. Eight cottages in the Conduit Close were assigned as Pest-Houses

to isolate those visited with the contagion. In these days when the erection of an Infectious Hospital in Reading is so strongly advocated by Medical experts, the example of our predecessors may be worthy of imitation.

Much light is thrown by the Diary upon the habits and customs of this period. Stringent regulations were enforced for the observance of Lent. There was a general belief in the existence of Witchcraft, and cruel punishments were inflicted on those suspected of its practice. The terrible severity of the Criminal code at this time was such, that at one Assize no less than 13 men and youths were condemned to execution; while we find in constant use the infliction of the Pillory, the Stocks, the Cucking Stool, the Whipping Post, and the horrible flagellation known as "Carting." The fines for Swearing formed an important item in the revenue. A Spartan discipline existed for the young, so that unruly Apprentices and troublesome Street-boys were publicly whipped in the Town Hall. In the Borough Prison no reformatory element existed, and the Gaolers were often little better than the inmates.

In the matter of public recreation there seems to have been little or no provision. The austere Puritanism of the age had already set its condemnation on the acting of Stage Plays, on Athletic Sports and other amusements; thus we find in 1631 a Company of Players refused the use of the Town Hall, and on another occasion being actually paid twenty shillings "to forbear their playe," and leave the Town.

#### MUNICIPAL CHARITIES (EDUCATIONAL AND ELEEMOSYNARY).

To this period and even earlier in the century we may attribute the foundation of many of those Municipal Charities, which have shed lustre on the memory and public spirit of past benefactors. The names of John and William Kendrick remind us of the old "Oracle," an institution for promoting the Cloth-trade of the Town, but whose ample endowments were forfeited by the neglect of a later generation, excepting that small portion, which has sufficed to establish an admirable school, bearing their honoured name. To this period also belong John and Richard Johnson, the wealthy mercers of St. Laurence, whose doles are still distributed to the poor and needy; also Sir Thomas Vachell, Lord of the Manor of Coley; also John Blagrove, whose quaint benevolence bequeathed a gratuity of 20 nobles to one out of three Maids chosen from each Parish, who (in memory of the seamless robe of our Lord for which



the Roman soldiers cast lots) should make the largest throw of dice on Good Friday, but whose gift is now distributed in a manner more consistent with modern ideas. To these may be added other pious donors, whose aim was to bestow relief on the aged and distressed poor.

But the most conspicuous benefactor of Reading at this date was the great Archbishop, whom the Town still numbers amongst her most illustrious sons. It would be improper in a work like this to speak of Laud's public career, either as a Statesman or as a Prelate and Church Reformer. In his lifetime he provoked many enmities. No man of his day was so often assailed by the shafts of fierce invective. But tardy justice is now rendered to his memory, and we are capable of acknowledging his profound piety, his high standard of duty, his discriminating patronage of learning and learned men, irrespective of party. Of his many claims to veneration we may adduce his unceasing benefits to his native Town as among the chief. William Laud was born in 1573, educated at the Royal Grammar School of King Henry VII., proceeded to St. John's College, Oxford, on Sir Thomas White's foundation, and speedily made his mark at the University. Whether as head of his College, as Parish priest, as Cathedral dignitary, or as the occupant in succession of the Sees of St. David's, Bath and Wells, London, and Canterbury, he was a 'restorer of waste places,' and never filled an office without leaving proofs of his munificent and unselfish character. With true nobility of spirit he never despised his humble origin or forgot his early friends. To him Reading is still indebted for a Deed of Gift, conferring an endowment upon the impoverished Church of St. Laurence, augmenting the scanty stipend of the Master of its ancient Grammar-School, and bestowing timely help to portionless Maidens, and to Youths qualified for Apprenticeship.

Numerous instances occur in this portion of the Diary of the active interest which he took in the prosperity of the Town. To his good offices at Court, where he was now one of the chief advisers of the Crown, the Corporation were indebted for some of the most favorable terms in the new Charter, and for the settlement of a protracted lawsuit connected with the Kendrick estate. This good feeling appears to have been heartily reciprocated by the Inhabitants. He was frequently consulted in matters of moment to their welfare. At the summoning of the Short Parliament in April, 1640, Laud's recommendation of the choice of Sir

Edward Herbert as their Representative was complied with. Upon his Metropolitan Visitation of the Southern Province in 1638, when the ordinary jurisdiction of the Diocesan Bishops was superseded, his Chancellor visited Reading and was received with marked attention. Nor during his long imprisonment in the Tower does there seem to have been any abatement of the esteem and respect entertained for him by the Corporation. His Portrait still hangs in the Council Chamber, with this inscription :—

“To the Memory of Dr. William Laud, Archbishop of Canterbury: who was a liberal Benefactor to this Town, which was honoured with his Birth: After he had many years served the Church, under the Defenders of the Faith, King James and King Charles the Martyr, he was solemnly murdered by a faction of Rebels upon Tower Hill, London, the 10th day of January, A.D. 1644, ætatis suæ 74.” [1643, ætat. 72.]

#### GENERAL NOTES ON THE MS. DIARY, 1630-40.

It will be noticed in this Volume that between May 24 and June 27, 1637, when a new book (No. 3) of the Diary begins, several Entries of the years 1630-37 occur, dating backwards from the end of the MS. With two exceptions, these are not of much importance, being chiefly lists of persons admitted to the Freedom of the Borough, either by apprenticeship or composition, with their payments, as noted down by the Town Clerk, or Steward of the Borough for the time being. Two of these Entries, however, are of some interest. (1) An event is noted which occurred 20 years subsequently, viz. on Sept. 14, 1657, and which confirms the value of the Diary as an official record. It states that the Diary was exhibited as Evidence at the trial of an action, in which the Mayor and Corporation were defendants. *See p. 375.* (2) A riotous attempt of the Poor to seize Corn in the Market-place. *See p. 379.* No date is affixed to this Entry, but it may probably be assigned to the year 1631, when a great scarcity of Corn prevailed in Reading, and measures were taken by the Corporation to provide a public Granary for the relief of the Poor. *See pp. 45, 66, 68.*

As an illustration of the style and handwriting of this period, two facsimile pages of the MS. Diary are inserted in this Volume to face pages 179 and 480.

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## ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS.

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- p. 9, l. 2 from end ; *read* had [not] done.  
p. 44, l. 9 ; *for* lanter *read* lauter [i.e. l'autre].  
p. 60, l. 14 ; *read* Maide-servant [from Southcot].  
p. 66, l. 23 ; *read* he [Tho. Hatrell ?] stroke.  
p. 75, l. 30 ; *for* Licoñ MS.) *read* licentia concordandi [?]. (Also on p. 80, l. 23.)  
p. 78, l. 29 ; *read* Packer.  
p. 96, l. 12 ; *read* [is] due.  
p. 118, l. 23 ; *for* vjli. *read* vjd. [?].  
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p. 122, l. 32 ; *for* he did, *read* he [Rich. Wheler] did. [See p. 120.]  
p. 127, l. 5 ; *read* Sherfeild.  
p. 132, l. 26 ; *for* Lithinge's sonne (MS.) *read* Lithinge's [wife].  
p. 136, l. 23 ; *for* affirmant *read* affiratores.  
p. 152, l. 23 ; *for* bondlace (MS.) *read* bonelace.  
p. 153, l. 33 ; *for* 28s. *read* 26s. [?].  
p. 164, l. 14 ; *read* cujusdam [blank].  
p. 170, ll. 16, 7 *for* Shepreve . . . . Branter [?], *read* Shepperd . . . . Bramer.  
p. 179, l. 27 ; *read* Caroli.  
p. 183, l. 6 ; *read* of [blank] foote [for feet].  
p. 197, l. 37 ; *read* good likinge, he lett a lease.  
p. 197, l. 38 ; *for* Listed *read* Liford.  
p. 208, l. 11 ; *for* but (*altered in MS.*) *read* bid.  
p. 210, l. 29 ; *read* Halloutide.  
p. 247, l. 27 ; *for* Woole house *read* Workehouse.  
p. 264, l. 1 ; *read* Francis[c]o.  
p. 305, l. 2 ; *dele comma after* senior.  
p. 311, l. 12 ; *read* 15<sup>o</sup> [?] Januarii.  
p. 321, l. 31 ; *read* Coffier[er].  
p. 327, l. 17 ; *after* that 8li. *insert* [sic].  
p. 337, l. 2 ; *for* Buchers *read* Burlers.  
p. 338, l. 9 ; *for* land [?] *read* band [i.e. bond].  
p. 340, l. 6 ; *for* Laker *read* Lake.  
p. 343, l. 25 ; *for* tymes *read* tyme.  
p. 349, l. 26 ; *after* his *insert* [sic].  
p. 359, l. 8 ; *for* on *read* as [?].  
p. 363, l. 6 ; *for* 'Lewell's [?]' *read* Dewell's.  
p. 388, l. 21 ; *for* nowe *read* nere.  
p. 401, l. 28 ; *for* prosecution (MS.) *read* prosecuting.  
p. 401, l. 32 ; *read* [9<sup>o</sup> ?] Januarii.  
p. 430, l. 6 ; *read* Ironseede.  
p. 448, l. 15 ; *for* the Counsell *read* of Counsell.  
p. 457, l. 4 ; this entry is in Wilmer's hand, but signed by Knight.



## DIARY OF THE CORPORATION, READING.

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[1630.] Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1629, ac 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye the former order for payeing viij*l.* an accion, viz<sup>t</sup>. iiij*l.* for entringe and iiij*l.* for withdrawinge, was revived and agreed to be henceforth paid, as lately it was at th'entringe of the accion, etc.

[p. 73.] Wensdaye, 20 Januarii, 1629, et 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

Phillip Morgan, a stranger, promised to be gone with his wief and children before Sondag next.

At this daye complaynt by the fremen Taylours was made against divers strangers Taylours usinge the trade within this Boroughe, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Giles Wake, a forreynour. Promised to be gone at Midsomer next.

2. Edward Cooke at Widowe Lowgey's, whoe is a forreynour, by takinge a wief in towne at Widowe Lowgey's six monethes. Promised to be gone with his wief within a moneth.

3. John Snoswell, a forreynour, hath wief and childe dwellinge in Richard Markham's rentes a yere or more. Warned to be gone.

4. Thomas Robertson, with wife and children.

\* Marked as absent.

5. Thomas Burnes at the White Horse in London streete.
6. John Turnour, in Frier streete.
7. Richard Pococke, a taylour, in Sivier streete.  
William Bankes, a taylour.

Wensdaye, 27 Januarii, 1629.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Turnour brought in the quietus for the yeare Mr. Nicholas Gunter was Mayour, viz<sup>t</sup>., pro 1629.

Wensdaye, 10 Februarii, 1629, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli 5<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esquire \*, William Kendricke \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent \*, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne \*, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*.

At this daye Walter Fynmore, flaxe-dresser, requested to have 15*o*li. of Mr. Kendricke's money to sett poore people on worke by spyninge weeke yarne in the house. Nil factum fuit.

[p. 75.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1629, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie 5<sup>o</sup>.

#### Capitall Burgisses.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight \*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire \*, William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren \*, John Jenyns.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, at this daye John Creed requested a new lease of the ij little shoppes in Butcher rewe end. Referd till next quarter daye to be viewed.

Memorandum, a stall with the other to be viewed.

Nota. At this daye Richard Godderd requested a newe lease, for 3 lives, of his house. It was graunted, he payeing haulf a yere's rent for a herryott, 4*li.* 10*s.*

Memorandum, the Woolhall and High Bridge to be viewed, and provision made for amending.

The Tanners' petition shall have aunswere the next quarter-daye by the Counsell of this Company. Vide le file.

At this day a lease was graunted to Clement Kent of his house for 21 yeres, payeing iiij*li.* per annum and keepinge reparacions, prout, etc.

At this daye a lease was graunted to Edward London of his house for 21 yeres, he payeing 53*s.* 4*d.* per annum, and keepinge reparacions, prout, etc., and the garden plott at iiij*d.* per annum, provided that he pay the arrerages first.

Memorandum, the Assises were holden at Abingdon the 23<sup>th</sup> daye of Februarye, 1629, at whiche tyme there was 13 men and youth dyed for their offences comitted, &c.

[p. 76.] 3<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1629, ac 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esquire, William Kendricke \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent \*, William Brackston \*, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

Surveyours of Spynners with Mr. Mayour:

In St. Lawrens' parishe	{ Mr. Newman.
	{ Mr. Robert Bent.
In St. Marye parishe	{ Mr. Christofer Turnour.
	{ Mr. Richard Winche.
In St. Giles' parishe	{ Mr. Gunter.
	{ Mr. Blake.

\* Marked as absent.



Agreed that the 15*0**li.* of Mr. Kendricke's shalbe delivered to William Densill, soe as he with Mr. Mason and Walter Densill geve bond, &c.

A newe lease of the stall at th'end of Butcher rewe and of the shoppe in his former lease was graunted to John Creed for 21 yeres at the old rent and usuall covenantes, &c.

[p. 77.] Fridaye, 5<sup>to</sup> Martii, 1629, ac 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Coram Thoma Vachell, milite, Edwardo Clerke, milite, Waltero Bateman, *Mayour*, Nicholao Gunter, Christofero Turnour.

Victualers bound.

High Ward.				
Henricus Frewin, vitler	x <i>li.</i>	Jacobus Hale	.	x <i>li.</i>
Henricus Frewin, pew-	} v <i>li.</i>	Robertus Creed	.	} v <i>li.</i>
terer		Willelmus Cooper	.	
Henricus Osborne,		Willelmus Cooper	.	x <i>li.</i>
condicon [?]	.	Jacobus Hale	.	} v <i>li.</i>
Thomas Hatton	x <i>li.</i>	Robertus Creed	.	
Henricus Frewin, junior	} v <i>li.</i>	Henricus Salman	.	x <i>li.</i>
Henricus Osborne		Franciscus Thackham	.	} v <i>li.</i>
Nicholaus Middleton	x <i>li.</i>	Radulphus Coxhead	.	
Johannes Pynnocke	v <i>li.</i>	Humfredus Parker	.	} x <i>li.</i>
Philippus Shyler	v <i>li.</i>	Robert Creed pro	.	
Humfredus Parker	x <i>li.</i>	Roberto Legge	.	
Mattheus Bond	} v <i>li.</i>	Thomas Geery	.	x <i>li.</i>
Egidius Wake		Willelmus Hulbert	.	} v <i>li.</i>
Mattheus Bond	x <i>li.</i>	Thomas Streete	.	
Humfredus Parker	} v <i>li.</i>	Willelmus Hulbert	.	x <i>li.</i>
Egidius Wake		Thomas Streete	.	} v <i>li.</i>
Johannes White	.	Thomas Geery	.	
Edwardus Stroud	} x <i>li.</i>	Thomas Streete	.	x <i>li.</i>
pro Johanne Map-		Willelmus Hulbert	.	v <i>li.</i>
pleton		Thomas Geery	.	v <i>li.</i>
Robertus Creed	x <i>li.</i>	Henricus Atkins	.	x <i>li.</i>
Jacobus Hale	} v <i>li.</i>	Franciscus Thackham	.	v <i>li.</i>
Willelmus Cooper		Radulphus Coxhead	.	v <i>li.</i>

Minster Ward.		Thomas Higden .	. xli.
Richard Walker .	xli.	Johannes Backhouse .	} vli.
Franciscus Thackham }	vli.	Johannes Pidgeon .	
Radulphus Coxhead }			
Richard Walker		Fr[anciscus] Browne .	xli.
Franciscus Thackham }	xli.	Willelmus Hulbert .	} vli.
manuceptores pro }	per	Jacobus Hulbert .	
Nicholao Noble .	se.	Jacobus Hulbert .	xli.
		Willelmus Hulbert .	} vli.
Richard Walker .	xli.	Fr[anciscus] Browne .	
Franciscus Thackham }	per		
pro	se.	Hugo Larkham .	xli.
Edwardo Symons .		Thomas Streete .	} vli.
		Isacke Yorke .	
Edwardus Andrewes .	xli.		
Richard Holmes .	} vli.	London Ward.	
Edwardus Taylor .		Robert Gallant .	xli.
Richard Holmes .	xli.	Valentine Skeate .	} vli.
Edwardus Andrewes .	} vli.	Jerome Pococke .	
Edwardus Taylor .			
Edwardus Taylor .	xli.	Valentine Skeate .	xli.
Richard Holmes .	} vli.	Robert Gallant .	} vli.
Edwardus Andrewes .		Jerome Pococke .	
Johannes Pynnocke .	xli.	Jerome Pococke .	xli.
Nicholaus Middleton .	} vli.	Valentine Skeate .	} vli.
Philippus Shiler .		Robert Gallant .	
Philippus Peirce .	xli.	Egidius Wake .	xli.
Johannes Burren, pro		Mattheus Bond .	} vli.
Payne Cantrell .	xli.	Humfredus Parker .	
Johannes Pidgeon .	xli.	Isacke Yorke .	xli.
Johannes Backhouse .	} vli.	Thomas Streete .	} vli.
Thomas Higden .		Hugo Larkham .	
Johannes Backhouse .	xli.		
Johannes Pidgeon .	} vli.	Henricus Hamblin .	} xli.
Thomas Higden .		Jacobus Hamblin .	
		pro Mattheo Jackson .	

Butchers.			Henricus Elkins . . .	xli.	
Henricus Hamblin .	xli.		Hugo Hardway pro		
Jacobus Hamblin .	}	vli.	Henrico Elkins .	vli.	
Willelmus Jones .					
Jacobus Hamblin .	xli.		Johannes Greene .	xli.	
Henricus Hamblin .	}	vli.	Humfredus Parker .	}	
Willelmus Jones .			Radulphus Robinson .		
Willelmus Jones .	xli.		Jerome Pococke . . .	xli.	
Jacobus Hamblin .	}	vli.	Thomas Hood . . .	} per	
Henricus Hamblin .			pro Isacke Traherne .		
				se.	
Michael Hamblin .	xli.		Ellen Bennet . . .	xli.	
Rogerus Symons .	}	vli.	Thomas Wilder . . .	vli.	
Jacobus Hamblin .			Radulphus Coxhead .	vli.	
Rogerus Symons .	xli.		Thomas Wilder . . .	xli.	
Michael Hamblin .	}	vli.	Radulphus Coxhead .	}	
Jacobus Hamblin .			Ellen Bennet . . .		vli.
[p. 78.] Ould Ward.			Franciscus Thackham .	}	
Philippus Shiler .	xli.		Radulphus Coxhead .		} xli.
Johannes Pynnocke .	}	vli.	pro vidua Porter .		
Nicholaus Middleton .					
Radulphus Coxhead .	xli.		Elizabetha Bayly .	xli.	
Hugo Hardway .	}	per	Franciscus Thackham .	}	
pro Johanne Johnson			se.		Radulphus Coxhead .

[p. 79.] Mondaye, viij<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1629, et 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, *Scenescallus*, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnpur, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esquire, William Kendricke \*, Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent \*, William Brackston \*, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys \*, Richard Burren \*, John Jenyns \*.

\* Marked as absent.

In regard of the great clamour of divers poore people lackinge worke and employment in spyninge and cardinge in this Towne, yt was this daye thought fitt to convent all the undertakers of the stocke geven by Mr. Kendricke, and uppon their appearaunce it was ordered, and by themselves agreed, that every undertaker, for every 300*li.*, shall put a woofe a weeke to spyninge within the Towne, as Mr. Mayour shall apoynt, and to suche spyntners as Mr. Mayour shall send to them, and soe after that rate, be the stocke more or lesse, &c. Vide le file pur les iouers (?).

Wensdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1629, ac 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

<sup>1</sup> John Saunders, Esquire, William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

At this daye the eleccion of the 3 Maid servantes to cast the lottes uppon Good Fridaye next, viz<sup>t</sup>. out of and for eache parishe one, were chosen this daye to be in a redynes against that daye, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Lawrence parishe, Phebe Granger.

In St. Marye parishe, Katherine Fisher.

In St. Giles' parishe, Alice Feryman.

At this daye it was ordered that the journeymen wevers and sheremen shall, uppon the death or removall of any master, succeed and have the master's place (if noe exceptions can be taken against him). And for the present [*blank*] Wheler, the journeyman to Grenwaye, deceased, shall have place and worke that Grenwaye had in the house.

[p. 80.] Good Fridaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630, et quinto regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>1</sup> The Secondary Burgesses are not marked as present.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys \*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

The 3 poore Maidservantes elected to the lott, viz<sup>t</sup>.

3<sup>d</sup>. In St. Lawrens' parishe Phebe Granger, servant to George Wooldridge, cast 15 and had the lott.

1. In St. Marye parishe Katherine Fisher, servant with Richard Winche, 10.

2. In St. Giles' parishe Alice Feryman, servant with Mr. Shorter, 9.

Memorandum, this is the 4<sup>th</sup> yeare since the maid came to the lott from Southcot, viz<sup>t</sup>. Alexander Blagrove's maid.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blagrove, accordinge to his uncle's will, paid in the x*li*. in a new leather purse; and, by direccions of the will, it was by the said Mayour and Burgesses then distributed, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To the poore maid by lott in purse . . .	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. 4 <i>d</i> .
To the lx poore weomen in St. Lawrence . . .	xxs.
To the lx poore weomen in St. Marye's . . .	xxs.
To xxiiij poore weomen in St. Giles' . . .	vjs.
To the Preacher in St. Lawrence . . .	xs.
To the clarke of St. Lawrence . . .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the sexten of St. Lawrence . . .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the junior Churchwarden . . .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .

At this daye the iiij*li*. of William Legge's guift, accordinge to his will was distributed to xxiiij poore housholders by the said Mayour and Burgesses, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 8 in St. Marye parishe	} 3 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . a peice.
To 8 in St. Lawrence parish	
To 8 in St. Giles' parishe	

At this daye alsoe the iij*li*. of Widowe Worsley's guift, according to her will, was distributed to lx poore widowes, xij*d*. a peice :

To 25 in St. Giles' parishe.

To 25 in St. Lawrens' parishe.

To 10 in St. Marye parishe.

At this daye Danyell Blagrove did not paye the 50*li*. due for rent to paye legatees, prout, etc. And at this daye noe legatee came to demaund payment.

\* Marked as absent.

\* *i.e.* three times elected to cast lots.



[p. 81.] 30 Martii, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, *Majore*, etc.

Katherine Hobson, the wief of Thomas Hobson, of Shoolane in the parishe of St. Bride's in London, Surrey. It is justified to her face that shee sayd my doctrine, yf my people followed it, would bring them to hell. Shee came to my howse, upbraids mee with want of manners to belevee lies, that I was not temperate, fitter to goe to sleepe then to talke. She sayde to my face that my misdemeanour would bring my people to hell.

[Signed] Tho. B.

Memorandum, the wordes spoken at Mr. Mayour's before Sir Francis Knollis and Sir Thomas Vachell, viz<sup>t</sup>, She had fought and overcome the lyon and the beare, and she feared not to deale with this uncercumsised Philistine, having longe haire and ruffe bond.

2<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1630.

Coram Waltero Bateman, *Majore*, Francisco Knollis, milite, Thoma Vachell, milite, Francisco Knollis, juniore, milite, Thoma Vachell, generoso, et aliis.

The said Katherine Hobson was agayne in question for speakinge against and abusinge the person of Mr. Bunbury and his doctryne, and for wordes spoken before them in court [?]. Required to find sureties whiche she denyed to doe. Thereuppon I was comaunded to make her *mittemus*; vide file.

Memorandum, the lettre sent to Mr. Mayour from the Lord Bishoppe of Rochester is in Mr. Mayour's handes.

[p. 82.] Mondaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Coram Waltero Bateman, *Majore*, etc., Edwardo Clerke, milite, Thoma Turnour, Nicholao Gunter, & Mr. William Maulthus.

At this daye Mr. Nicholas Bowden complayned that his servant, Thomas Childe, is unruly and the last nig[h]t endeavored (as it was thought) to destroye himself, for he gave his booke to the maid, his gloves to George Nethercott and his cloke to, &c.

George Nethercott testes de lez attempte the last night.

Beinge demanded the cause, saith the cause was in himself, because he had done that service to his master as he ought to have done.

After many questions and circumstances had betwixt the master and the apprentice they both consented and agreed in freindship to parte the one from the other, and the said apprentice to have his discharge, &c.

Memorandum, Mr. Boadon hath promised to deliver in a bond he had of his father and will not call it in question. Per W. W[ilmer].

[p. 83.] Mondaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1630, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

\* John Saunders, Esq., William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

At this daye the Lawdaye for this Boroughe was holden.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

Richard Holmes, jurator primus.

Frances Buckridge	} jurati.	John Wilder	} jurati.
John Parr		William Duglace	
John Butler		John Hall	
Frauncis Borth		Henry Frewin, junior	
Thomas Worsley		Roger Frewin	
Giles Archer		Samuell Godderd	
John Daye		Henry Bennett	
Frances Plommer		Thomas Skynner	
Richard Levins		Augustin Bartlett	

ixs. peyne uppon every one of the Jurye that doth not or shall not attend and see all the defaultes this weeke.

Richard Holmes		affirers, daye to geve upp verdict 8 <sup>o</sup> Septembris.
Frauncis Buckridge		
Frauncis Plomer		
John Parr		

\* Marked as absent.

3 The Secondary Burgesses apparently absent.

At this day the sheepe-pens were graunted to Henry Spier at 15*s.* per annum, to be put in writing.

Memorandum, if theese whiche hold and sett sheepe-pens will paye all the arrerages, they shall hold, they payeing their rentes to Henry Spier, etc.

[p. 84.] Wensdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis, 1630, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye th'Accomptes of the Overseers for the poore of every parishe within this Boroughe were taken and others nomynated in every parishe for the yeare to come under the seale of office, accordinge to the tenour of the statute, &c.

The severall accomptes appeare in the booke kept for that busynes (amongest other thinges) in the Hall, belonginge to Mr. Mayour as Justice of Peace within the Boroughe, &c. Per W. W[ilmer].

Mondaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1630, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent\*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne\*, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

At this daye the shepe-pyns formerly graunted to Henry Spier at 15*s.* per annum were agayne in question.

[p. 85.] 23<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

The confession of Edward Evans.

Saith he dwelleth at Welshpoole in the county of Montgomery in Wales, and there liveth in and by the trade of a taylour, but in sommer last he came from Shrewesburye and went into Sussex to

\* Marked as absent.



Alice Justis saith she did see him take Steven Harberte's shirt of and from his hedge at that tyme, and she caused him to be apprehended.

Assises. Henry Justis cognovit se debere.

Th'examynacion of James Wheeler, of Mapledirham, brick-maker.

Saith he liveth by the trade of a brickmaker where he can gett worke, and came yesterday to this Towne to seeke worke. And beinge examined concerninge the takinge of the goodes he altogether denyeth and was not in the backside at all. Committed to the Gaole.

[p. 88.] Mondaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1630, ac 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

Memorandum, at this daye Mr. Mayour made it knowne that Mr. Thomas Turnour had done him wronge in the doeing of his office, &c. It was thought fitt the hearing and orderinge of the abuses shalbe deferd untill Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders shall both attend this place and then, by their direccions, the matters shalbe reconciled betwene Mr. Mayour and Mr. Turnour.

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1630, et 5<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, William Kendricke, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns.

As touchinge the subpena against Mr. Braybrooke and Mr. Wolloskott, it was agreed that Symon Robinson shall serve the subpena and be paid for his paynes by the tresorer for charitable uses.

\* Marked as absent.

faire; one horse he bought and paid 50s. for it, and in his purse is 5*li*. 10s. There came noe man in company with him, but before he came to Maydenhead two other men, whiche use Smythfeild Markett, came with one horse and lett him ride parte of the waye to Reading. There names he knoweth not, but they lodged all night on Friday nig[h]te at Twiford, at an Inn there, and came this morning to faire altogether, but denyeth that those were the men that stood by him when he was chepeninge a horse. Beinge searched nothinge was found and nothinge done.

[p. 87.] Saturdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, *Majore*.

Complayntes against one James Wheler.

14<sup>o</sup> Maii. Robert Barker, sonne of John Barker, of Reading, wever, did see the said Wheeler take his sister's clothes, viz<sup>t</sup>., one kirtle of woollen, one peticote, of and from the pale in his father's backside, and carryed them a good parte of the backside and then run awaye.

Thomas Gale, sonne of John Gale, saith he did then see him take the white lynnen clothes of the pales, viz<sup>t</sup>., one ruffeband, one coiffe, of Elizabeth Barker's.

Elizabeth Barker saith she lost then the ruffeband, one neckerchiffe and one[?] laced handkerchiffe and j crosse cloth, j white aperne, ij bandes of her father's, one other coiffe and j playne handkerchiffe, ij other bandes of her sisters.

Mary Collinson, the wief of William Collinson, of Readinge, laborer, saith that yesterdaye she had her lynnen hanginge to drye in Mr. Gunter's close, and there was taken away one dubble ruffe band of her owne, and the said theife beinge scene takinge a shirt of one Harberte's hanginge by, one Alice Justis cryed out and bid staye the theif, and he beinge staid and brought before the Mayour and searched, the same ruffe band was found in his hose.

John Barker himself saith that some of those his goodes were found in the ditche a little waye from his backside from whiche he run awaye.

Assises. Johannes Barker cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. ad prosequendum, and to bringe in the two boyes.

William Collinson cognovit se debere x*li*.

At Widowe Hill's James Wheler's wief and 1 childe, Yonge Feryman's wief and great Nan.

Richard Pickden and his wief at Poore's.

Memorandum, Alexander Perrey, a chimney-sweeper, was permitted to live in Towne, he payeing weekly to old Pole's, provided that he come not to London in the sicknes tyme, nor other exceptions be taken against him then yet excepted (if any shalbe this permission to be void).

[p. 90.] Wensdaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1630.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Thomas Smyth, one of the master Wevers, was called in question for divers misdemeanours, aswell against Mr. Mayour as in his worke and towards his fellowes, as in a note uppon the file apereth, and discharged and put out of his worke, &c.

Henry Bode, the journeyman, was assigned to the place, and John Clere, the journeyman.

Secundo die Junii, 1630.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. John Newman.

Frauncis Peele, of Wing in Buckes, made oath with [*blank*] witnesses that the parcell of old wooll cardes of the number of ten dussen, or thereabouts, of the value of xls. were seised in this Corporacion. Bought at Newberye.

William Wimpey seised, &c.

[p. 91.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630, ac 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. Doctour Bird, the schoolemaster of the Free Schoole, compla[ined] that divers strangers, viz<sup>t</sup>., Mr. Gren[chill?]

\* Marked as absent.

and one Mr. Peters, doe teache Grammer and other Latin bookes within this Corporacion, to the detriment of the Free Schoole there.

Mr. Richard Grenehill shewed his licence under the hand and seale of Doctour Lynne, officiall to the Lord Bishopp of Sarum, for his teachinge in quocumque loco, infra diocesim Sarum. Prohibitus per Majorem, etc. Sir Thomas Sadler, registrar.

Memorandum at this daye it was informed by lettres from Mr. Saunders that the Assises shalbe holden here in Readinge the xxviii<sup>th</sup> daye of this moneth, and it was agreed that preparacion shalbe made for enterteynement of the Judges, prout, etc.

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's house, as formerly, etc. (he beinge noe wayes hindered thereby).

The Clarkes of the Assises at Mr. Bateman's and Mr. Blake's, as heretofore.

iiij<sup>or</sup> barrells of bere.

j gallon & dim'. of sacke.

j gallon & dim'. of claret.

j mutton.

j veale.

Et ij<sup>obus</sup> scenescallis, xs. a peice.

The Judges' horses at Christofer Kenton's, if, &c.

The Clarkes of Assises' horses at Henry Birde's.

[p. 92.] Munday, 14<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayor*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esquire \*, William Kendricke \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice \*, Richard Burren \*, John Jenyns \*.

At this daye the 100*li.* geven by Mr. Richard Ironseed was agayne, by the most voices of the Company presente, lent gratis for other 4 yeares, accordinge to his will, viz<sup>t</sup>., to two Clothiers, viz<sup>t</sup>.,

\* Marked as absent.

Thomas Ley [and] Henry Spier, clothiers, si, etc., and to two shopkeepers, viz<sup>t</sup>., George Millisent, apotecary, John Saunders, glover, findinge sufficient sureties.

At this daye it was agreed that the daye of th'accomptes of the undertakers clothinge shalbe uppon Mondaye, the v<sup>th</sup> of July next, vizt., this daye 3 weekes.

Memorandum, the Highbridge to be fourthwith amended.

Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Responsio Magistri Grenhill that he will obey the Bishopp secundum quid, and not simpliciter.

At this daye an inhibicion under the seale of office of the Chauncelour or Vicar generall to the Bishoppe of Sarum, dated 14<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630, to Mr. Grenhill for teaching Grammer in St. Giles' parishe in Reading, and to all others teaching grammer, &c., was openly read to him, &c. Mr. Grenhill was forbidden, by Mr. Mayour and his Brethren, the teachinge of Gramer in Readinge; and Mr. Peters, in like manner, was then forbidden.

At this daye Thomas Illesley complayned against Symon Maye, his apprentice for runing awaye. Referd to prove him his apprentice.

Richard Stevens complayneth that John White and Christofer Goodhous [?] doe weekly bringe great quantities of mault into this Towne and deny to pay any tolle.

They denye the buyeing and bringinge in any corne but suche as they buy in other markettes.

[p. 93.] <sup>4</sup> 16<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Percey, of Readinge, laborer, complayneth that Henry Barfoote, uppon Tuesday was fortnight, did beate, wound and tred

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>4</sup> The entries for the 16th and 18th of June are crossed through in the MS.



uppon him in the strete and di[d] soe muche hurt to him that he is at this daye and hower in danger of death. Per informacionem constabularii Simonis Dye et uxoris.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Henricus Bar-	} quod ipse compareat ad		
foote cognovit se debere domino		proximam Sessionem	
Regi <i>xl/i.</i> . . . . .		Pacis, etc., ad respon-	
Richardus Shawede, etc., et		dendum ad omnia que	
Thomas Sawser de, etc.,	} sub pena	objicientur versus eum	
manuceperunt pro ipso			xx <i>/i.</i>
Henrico separatim			
		ex parte domini Re-	
		gis, etc.	
Relaxatur per concord'	Henry Barffoote	X	
	Richard Shaw		
	Thomas Sawser	$\overline{\text{P}}$	

Postea partes concordaverunt et relaxaverunt quantum in se fuit, et relaxabunt transgressionem versus quemlibet eorum, etc.

18<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, *Maiour*.

Henry Spier, of Readinge, clothier, complayneth that Walter Samuell, of Readinge, pikemaker, this morninge did assault, beate and wound him in his owne house, and with a bricke batt did breake his head and wounde him grevouslye, as apeareth by the blud runninge over his body and clothes, and in divers kindes threatened him.—Confessed by Walter Samuell.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Walter	} quod ipse compareat ad proxi-		
Samuell cognovit se de-		nam Sessionem Pacis ad re-	
bere domino Regi <i>xx/i.</i>		spondendum ad omnia que ex	
		parte domini Regis adtunc ob-	
	} manucepe-	jicientur versus eum, etc., et	
			runt pro ipso
Hugo Patye et			Waltero se-
Henricus Patye			paratim sub
		pena <i>xl/i.</i>	
		quod interim se bene geret	
		erga dominum Regem, etc., et	
		precipue versus Henricum Spier.	
	[Signed]	Henri Pati.	
		Water Samueill.	

Walterus Samuell complayneth that he the said Henry Spier hath broken his head and done him other harmes, as shall appeare by evidence and prooffes of witsesse.

Henricus Spier cognovit se debere do-	}	quod ipse compareat ad	
mino Regi xx <i>li</i> .			proximam Sessionem
Ricardus Bredd' et			Pacis ad respondendum
Franciscus Thackham			ad omnia que, etc., et
	manuceperunt	quod interim se be[ne]	
	pro ipso se-	geret, etc.	
	paratim sub		
	pena x <i>li</i> .		

[Signed] Henry Spier.

Richard Breadd'.

Frauncis Thackham.

Relaxaverunt quantum in se est cuilibet ad quemlibet.

[p. 94.] Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1630, ac 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus.

2<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1630. Coram Waltero Bateman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Christofer Dewey, the gaoler, informeth that Richard Shiler, a taylour, dwellinge next house to the gaole, uppon Wensdaye last past in the after-noone, about 2 or 3 of the clocke, a quarter of mutton beinge brought into the gaole house by a servant of Mr. Hide's, of Pangborne, was stollen out of her baskett in the gaole and by him receaved at the windore openinge into the gaole, yett presently by him redelivered or cast into the backside of the gaole: promisinge to make up the windre fourthwith. Referd till further.

[p. 95.] Mondaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *tarde*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders\*, William Kendricke, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys\*, Richard Burren\*, John Jenyns\*.

At this daye the Counsell's lettres for restrayninge excessive makinge [of] mault and engrossinge corne wer[e] openly read, and

\* Marked as absent.

agreed that enquirye shalbe made fourthwith as muche as in this Company lyeth. The Maulsters shalbe warned the next weeke, if, &c.

Th'accomptes of the Undertakers shalbe uppon Mondaye, this daye senight, and warninge to be geven to provide and bringe in their moneys, prout.

Arthur Hooker shalbe warned to shewe cause why he doth not paye haulf the 25*li.* for whiche he is bounde to pay for Willyam Potinger against Mondaye next, and if he denye, he to be sued and processe to [be] had against him, &c.

The petition of the journeymen Weavers was read but not allowed on for some causes. Vide le file.

Memorandum, to warne in all that have dubble worke in the house and abroad, and apprentices.

[p. 96.] Mondaye, xij<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1630, 6<sup>o</sup>que regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Walter Bateman, *Mayour*, egrotatus, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Steward, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq., William Kendricke, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston\*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*.

12 Julii, 1630. At this daye th'accomptes of the Undertakers were apointed to be had, but nothinge done, as by the booke for those purposes appeareth.

Saturdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1630.

At this daye lettres from the right honorable Erle of Banburye, concerninge his resignacion of High Stewardshippe of this Corporacion to the Erle of Holland, were openly read and by all the Company thankfully embraced, with desire to keepe his love and favour duringe lief, and the aunswere referd to Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders to advise uppon against Tuesdaye morninge next. At whiche tyme it was agreed uppon and subscribed by the majour parte and sent by William Bullocke, my Lorde's man.

[*A leaf or two of the MS. wanting here.*]

\* Marked as absent.



[p. 97.] <sup>5</sup> [6<sup>o</sup> die Augusti, 1630.]

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, John Saunders, Esquire.

At this daye was a generall meetinge of the Maulsters Brewers of strong beere or ale, Engrossers of corne and grayne, was had, according to the direccions of the Counsell's lettres, and then was done therein, as followeth. Vide lez warrantes.

All were called and made appearance, prout, etc., patet.

The Maulsters for the Sessions, &c., having other trades, to be suppress.

The Alehouskeepers licenced, convented, and informers called, and suche as have other trades to be suppress. Unlicensed Alehouskeepers shalbe suppress by warrant, viz<sup>t</sup>., from Mr. Mayour.

Eodem 6<sup>o</sup> die Augusti.

<sup>6</sup> Memorandum, quod Johannes Humfrey de Readinge in comitatu Berkes, laborer, cognoverit se debere domino Regi <i>xli</i> . Matheus Band, de, etc. et Radulphus Spier de, etc., manuce- perunt separatim pro ipso Jo- hanne sub pena	} } } <i>vli</i> . } }	quod ipse compa- reat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
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Ad Sessionem Pacis. [Signed] John Umfree.  
 Math<sup>e</sup> Band.  
 Ralfe Spier, ~~X~~

14<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630. Coram Nicholao Gunter, generoso, *Majore*, etc., et Edwardo Clerke, milite.

Alicea Poynter, de Readinge, vidua, cognovit se debere <i>xli</i> . et Willelmus Low- bridge, de Wokingham, in comitatu Berkes, <i>xli</i> .	} } } }	ad comparendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis et, etc., ad sectam Ricardi Cooke et Mar- garete uxoris ejus, etc.
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Ad Sessionem Pacis. Ricardus Cooke, etc., et Simo West, etc.

<sup>5</sup> The date is torn away.

<sup>6</sup> This entry and that for 14 Aug. are crossed through in the MS.

[p. 98.] Tuesdaye, 17 Augusti, 1630, et vj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Kendricke's house shalbe repayred to keepe it dry and the windores glased, &c., and that William Gandye shall laye out the money.

Memorandum, the accomptes of Mr. Kendricke's busynes shalbe brought into William Wilmer this weeke and by him to be perfected fourthwith.

Memorandum, the 7 Clothiers to returne their aunsweres this daye fortnight.

Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the difference betwene Thomas Chaundler and his apprentice, William Vindge, was heard and examined.

William Horne [and] Thomas Ley said Nathaniell Chandler did misuse th'apprentice by beating, &c., but saye nothinge against the master.

Yet they agreed that if a newe master be provided, Mr. Mayour and his Brethren shall assigne and sett the apprentice accordinge to lawe.

24<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

William Griffen	} jurati Aletasters.
William Pryce	

William Pryce [and] William Griffyn were sworne that all theise persons hereunder-named doe, of their owne aucthority, keepe common Alehouses and sell Beere without lycence :

\* Marked as absent.

Andrewe Bowerman	Henry Sturdaye
William Stokes	John Watlington
John Gale	Mathewe Bond
Henry Byrd	John Quicke
Thomas Wylder	Wydowe Stockwell
Richard Markham	Widowe Barfoote
William Vindge	Wydowe Davis
John Myles	Widowe Bowyer
Hughe Larkham	Thomas Ley, licensed.

All theise xvij persons are to be suppress by warrant.

Steven Marshall, Henry Elkins.

[p. 99.] Wensdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Mondaye, 30 Augusti, 1630, et [6<sup>o</sup>] regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Sessio seu curia Clerici Mercati hospitii domini Regis Anglie, etc., per Carolum Walker, deputatum Hugonis Maii, armigeri, etc.

Nomina Juratorum ad inquirendum pro domino Rege, etc., et ad taxandum, etc. :

Richard Holmes, tanner, jurator primus.

Francis Buckridge .		
Johannes Parr .	.	} jurati.
Johannes Butler .	.	
Giles Archer .	.	} jurati.
Francis Plommer .	.	
Richardus Levins .	.	
Johannes Wilder .	.	} jurati.
William Duglace .	.	
Roger Frewyn .	.	

\* Marked as absent.

Henry Frewyn .	.	} jurati.	} ad supervisionem Men- surarum.
Henry Bennett .	.		
Thomas Skynner .	.		
Francis Booth .	.	} jurati.	
Samuel Goddard .	.		
Thomas Worsley .	.	} jurati	
Johannes Joseph .	.		
Augustine Bartlett .	.		
Thomas Pococke .	.		
Johannes Daye .	.		
Gregorye Stevens, juratus	.		

p. 100. [Burgus de Readinge, *in margin.*] scil. Tuesdaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. William Malthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*.

As touchinge the employment of the stocke of 3600*li.*, it is agreed it shalbe employed in the house, 12 loomes to be kept there in worke, noe other stocke to be there used, but to be examined, &c., security to performe covenantes, prout, etc., and to be subject to overseers, prout, etc., and suche parties to be in the house to employ the stocke as this Company shall like best.

This day senight to meete.

Memorandum, I have not the Clothiers' notes.

31<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1630. Coram Nicholao Gunter, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Plumpale, de Magna Shefford, in comitatu Berk'<sup>7</sup>, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi x*li.* quod [compareat ad] proximam Sessionem Pacis ad prosequendum versus [blank] Treherne, quia verberavit ipsum, coram Majore apud Reading.

Memorandum, the Jurye against Tuesday next in the after-noone.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>7</sup> *In comitatu Berk'* repeated.

[p. 101.] Eleccion-daye, Wensdaye, i<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerk, Knight, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Willyam Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Willyam Kendricke\*.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, Willyam Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthonye Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mayour and Capitall Burgesses, by directions of their chartre, did nomynate and apoynt 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion for one of those 3 by the said Mayour and Burgesses to be elected Mayour for the next yeare, as by their chartre it is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. Thomas Turnour, IIIIIIIIIIIIIII [15] Mayour elect.
2. Mr. John Newman, IIII.
3. Mr. Willyam Kendrick.

At this daye Mr. Doctour Bird requested the Companye to make petition to the Kinge's Majestie for his Majestie's favour for one Free Schoole, to suppress all other licenced to teache Gramer in Towne. The Company desire tyme to consider of the busynes and therein to be advised. But it is agreed and consented unto by the wholle Company that Mr. Doctour Bird shall petition in his owne name, &c., and defend his owne right, &c.

Memorandum, for parte of a recompence to Mr. Reynoldes for his good sermon at this eleccion, the Companye agreed to geve him *iiij<sup>li</sup>*. with many thanks, &c.

[p. 102.] Tuesdaye, 7 Septembris, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni Regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clarke, Sceneschall. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Maiour elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston\*, Arther Curtys\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

Security tendred for William Gandye : Mr. Halsteed, Mr. James Winche, Mr. Vigours, Mr. Thomas Newman.

At this daye and meetinge Sir Edward Clerke brought in articles which he prepared for the purpose to be considered on, and as many of the Company as be absent to have the sight of them, if they will.

And it is desired that this daye senight there shalbe Undertakers chosen and securitye named to performe the Articles.

Agreed that Mr. Walter Knight shall send for a subpena for Mr. Woollascott and Mr. Braybroke concerninge Mr. Palmer's will for the poore.

Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Memorandum, at this daye warrant from his Majestie's Comissioners for treatye and to compound with all those whiche are to make fine to his Majestie for not apearinge at his Majestie's coronacion for receaving the order of Knighthood, &c. Re. : uppon Mondaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Septembris.

[p. 103.] 17<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630. Coram Nicholao Gunter, generoso, *Majore*.

Izaak Wracke and John Carden have taken oath that John Watlington doth keepe an Alehouse and useth sellinge of Beere without licence. [The rest of the page is blank.]

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 104.] 8 Septembris, 1630. Coram Nicholao Gunter, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Th'examinacion of William Looker, blacksmyth, as touchinge the hurt of George Hambledon beinge hurt in the belley, whereby he is in danger of deathe, at the house of one Plomridge. Saith he doth not knowe of any hurt he did him. Comitted to Gaole.

Saturdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. John Saunders \*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

15 Septembris, 1630. Coram Nicholao Gunter, *Majore*.

Th'enformacion of Richard Lickiston, of Sonning, against John Cowdrey, Edmond Cowdrey, clothiers, John Piggott and his wief, of Readinge, for that they or some of them, upon Sondag night last about xij of the clocke in the night, did steale a fatt goose from Mr. Halsteed ; the goose was taken from the woman.

Symon Dye hath undertaken for the two Cowdreys ; but Pigott and his wief shalbe questioned.

[p. 105.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Ang[lie].

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mayour elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. Willyam Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Willyam Kendricke \*.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne \*, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dee \*, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye Mistris Burningham made request to have a new lease of the tenement at Caversham Bridge. Agreed she shall hold as she doth duringe her lief at the same rent. And that if Richard Johnson overlive his lease then he shall hold duringe his lief at the same rent, &c., his dwelling house.

At this daye the highway[es] at or nere Caversham Bridge were in question.

Agreed that the inditementes against the Corporacion shalbe traversed the next quarter Sessions.

Memorandum, that a viewe shalbe had upon Wensday next at 3 of the clocke in the after-noone by [blank] of each parishe, of St. Marye's and St. Lawrence.

As touchinge the Cloth-drawers' petition it is agreed that the presentment of the Jurye against Nathaniell Mulson shalbe put in execution, prout, etc. And that the Cloth-drawers shall allowe Walter Stubbs ijs. a weeke, and that the said Mulson<sup>s</sup> shalbe put to silence from working in Towne as a master workman.

At this daye Edward Shippey agreed to be skavinger for another yeare from Michaellmas next, he performing the articles, &c.

Memorandum, to provide the articles.

Memorandum, at the accomptes of Mr. Kendricke's busynes payment shalbe made to Mr. Sanders for moneys he laid out concerning Langley.

Memorandum, a bill of charges for Sir Edward Clerke is uppon the file to be had in remembraunce, prout, etc.

Memorandum, to call to Mr. Danyell Blagrav[e] for the 50*li*. due at Ladydaye last. Agreed that he shall paye the 50*li*. betwene this and All Saintes next, and afterwarde to paye the rent as the lease requireth.

[p. 106.] Wensdaye, xxij<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630, ac 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, *Mayour elect*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

<sup>s</sup> *The said Mulson* is repeated.

\* Marked as absent.



John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston\*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Kendricke's busynes was agreed uppon, ut patet in libro.

Memorandum, John Webb,	} two of theise to be
Richard Hollowey, w[eaver?],	
James Arnold, w[eaver?],	
Hughe Smyth,	
	searchers next
	yere.

Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1630, ac vj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Amerciamentes questioned, prout, etc.

Ultimo Septembris, 1630.

Memorandum; then Richard Cooke and Alice Poynter, by mediacion of freindes, refer'd the endinge of all differences betwene them to the judgement of Mr. John Newman and Mr. Thomas Addams, soe as they end betwixt this and Christmas next, and for the performance and standinge thereunto, they have bound themselves in xx*li*. a peice uppon consideracion of vjd. eache to other delivered, viz<sup>t</sup>. to pay xx*li*. for the vjd. Witnesse: Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mayour, Mr. Thomas Vachell, Symon West and William Wylmer, senior, &c.

[p. 107.] Fridaye, j<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1630.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony

\* Marked as absent.

Brackston, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

The aunswere to Mistris Stevens concerninge the holdinge of the tolle was that she should cause it to be lookt unto, untill this Company should further consider of the busynes, &c.

The rest of the busynes vide lautre . . . [?]

2<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1630.

Amerciamentes.

Received of the Serjeantes for the amerciamentes	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
in generall . . . . .	10	12	3
Viz <sup>t</sup> . For the Clarke of the Markett . . . . .	5	00	0
For the lawdayes and amerciamentes . . . . .	3	10	0
For hogges . . . . .	2	2	3
Whereof paid the Aletasters . . . . .	1	0	0
Item paid the Hogherdes . . . . .	0	17	0
Item paid the Cunstables for money laid out in their offices . . . . .	4	10	0
Item paid the Sargantes . . . . .	1	10	0
Item paide Richard Atwater . . . . .	0	1	0
Item paide Richard George . . . . .	0	3	6
	[sic] 7 01 6		
Rest 2 <i>li.</i> to accompte			
Item paid more to Fr[ancis] T[hackham] . . . . .	0	10	0
	8	12	0
Rest in hand for the Cofferer . . . . .	30	0	0
Item paid the Belman for his service, &c.			
Item received more of amerciamentes . . . . .	2	0	0
Item more of Fr[ancis] Thackham . . . . .	0	10	0
Item more of arrerages of quitrentes . . . . .	0	10	0
p. 108. [Bouroughe of Readinge, <i>in margin.</i> ] Mondaye, iiij <sup>th</sup> Octobris, 1630, et vj <sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli.			

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, miles,  
Mr. Thomas Turnour, elect, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William

\* Marked as absent.

Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, misericordia 3s. 4d., Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mr. Thomas Turnour, the elected Mayour, by direccions of the chartre in the presens of his predecessour Mayour did take :

1. Oath of Supremacye.
2. Oath of Mayour and Justice of P[eace].
3. Oath of Clarke of the Markett.

And the said Mayour, by consent of his Brethren, did then name and apoynt Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>,

Anthony Brackston	}	Cofferers, jurati.
Arther Curtys		
William Greneway	}	Constables, jurati.
William Turnour, senior		
John Watlington	}	gardiani High Ward, jurati.
Samuell Godderd		
William Hall, juratus	}	gardiani London Gard.
Thomas Higden, juratus		
William Wilder, juratus	}	gardiani Minster Gard.
Charles Maflyn [?]		
Nathaniell Chandler, juratus	}	gardiani Nove Garde.
Obediah Osgood		
Thomas Ward	}	gardiani Veteris Garde.
Joseph Jones		

[p. 109.] Wednesdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> October, 1630, et 6<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. Lawdaye.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

\* Marked as absent.

Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Blake, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham.

At this day the Law-day was holden for this Boroughe.

Nomina Juratorum.

Thomas Harrison, primus	Edward Bagley
Peter Burningham	Walter Densill
Symon Dye	Willyam Wilmer
Richard Breddes	Henry Alright
Robert Westmerland	Edmond Spyer
Thomas Duke	Willyam Horne
John Beale	Willyam Saunders
Thomas Symes	
Thomas Harrison	} Afferers.
Peter Burningham	
Symon Dye	
Edward Bagley	
William Sedbury	} jurati Scrutatores corei infra
Henry Osborne	
° John Webb	} jurati fuerunt Supervisores panni.
James Arnold	

[p. 110.] Mondaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1630, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

<sup>1</sup> John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

Memorandum, Jenever or Symon Robinson shall serve the sub-pena uppon Mr. Braybrooke and Mr. Wollascott.

<sup>1</sup> *In the margin*:—8<sup>o</sup> Nov. 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, Majore, et Thoma Vachell, milite.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>2</sup> The Secondary

Burgesses are marked as absent, except A. Brackston.

At this daye some of the undertakers of the comon stocke made their accomptes of the employment thereof for one yeare and quarter last past, ut patet, etc.

Whereas the rentes of some partes of the landes called John Alarder's landes are nowe increased, as by the leases thereof appeareth; and where alsoe the five almesmen have had weekly many yeres together towards their mayntenance xij*d.* a peice weekly; at this daye it was agreed that henceforwarde the five almesmen shall have xv*j d.* a weeke paid them weekly by the Cofferer for charitable uses, prout, etc.

Wensdaye, 13 Octobris, 1630, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye the quietus for the last yeare was taken out of chest to be shewen at the awditt, for the payment of the seefarme for the yeare nowe ended, at Maydenhed.

[p. 111.] Tuesdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1630, et vj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Sceneschall, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

At this meetinge all the busynes was about Mr. Kendricke's, etc., ut patet in libro illo.

xx<sup>o</sup> die Octobris, 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

Mr. Richard Potinger, junior, informeth that one John Hall, uppon Friday last, 15<sup>o</sup> Octobris, did take and steale a sacke, with

\* Marked as absent.

ij b<sub>3</sub> [bushels] of wheate therin, fourth of the barne of the said Mr. Potinger's in Burghfeild.

The confession of the said John Hall.

Saith it is true that, the barne dore beinge open, he did take and lift the sacke and the two bu<sub>3</sub><sup>lls</sup> of wheate out of the barne, uppon Friday, in the after-noone, and laid it under a hedge in the ground, nere the barne, and uppon Saturdaye in the after-noone he did bring it to Reading and there offred it to divers to sell. In th'end one Poles his wief did bargayne with him and paid him x.s. *vd.* for the wheate, it beinge but j bushell and iij peckes. John Chamberlyn had a bushell and haulfe of it at 9s. Poles wief had the pecke at 17*d.* Comitted to gaole.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, *in margin.*] Memorandum Ricardus Potinger, junior, cognovit se debere domino Regi x*li.* ad proseguendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis. Certified.

10 Nov. 1630. Cognitiones: Nicholaus	} quod ipse compareat ad proximas Assisas <sup>2</sup> ad respondendum, etc.
Hampton xx <i>li.</i> . . . . .	
Edwardus Kerson et	
Ricardus Carter manuceperunt per se separatim in x <i>li.</i> . . . . .	

He hurt Bowler.

[p. 112.] 23<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1630.

Sir Francis Knollis, Sir Thomas Vachell, Sir Edward Clerke, John Saunders, Esquire, Mr. Thomas Turnour.

At this daye the Kinge's Majestie's proclamacion and booke of orders were openly read and charge geven to the enquirours, prout, etc., to the two Hundredes and Towne, etc.

Richard Joyes.

John Milles.

Richard Horsingden.

David Elkes.

This daye fortnight to [*blank*].

3<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye the freemen Tanners requested Mr. Mayour to comaund the searchers and sealers of leather in Reading that they

<sup>2</sup> Sessionem Pacis altered to Assisas.

shall not searche nor seale any foreyne leather (but uppon the fairedayes). And Edward Baker, in consideracion of 3*d*. paid him, hath promised to save Mr. Mayour harmlesse of all accions and damadges to be brought against him by any forreyne Tanner, &c.

Edward Baker	} presente.
William Brackston	
John Bartlett	
Francis Buckridge	
William Wilmer	

[p. 113.] 4<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.  
Coram Thoma Turnour, *Mayour*.

William Grenwaye, one of the Constables of Readinge, complayneth that Edward Blagrove, of Earley, hath abused and done him wronge in wordes and threatens, &c.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, *in margin.*] Memorandum, Edward Blagrove cognovit se debere domino Regi *xxli*. quod ipse compare[a]t ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc., et quod interim se bene geret erga dominum Regem, etc.

[Signed] Edw. Blagrav.

Mr. John Gravett	} presente.
Samuell Goddard	
William Turnour	

[Relaxatusque certificatus, *in margin.*]

Memorandum, he used manny scoffes, legges and mockes both to Mayour and Constable, and said at his goeing out a dores if he had the Constable ellswere he would tare him. He would be bound to doe his service to the Kinge, but not to appere to aunswere suche a fellowe, &c.

The Constable's wordes were he would tame him, &c.

Wensdaye, x<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630, et vj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, *tarde*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent\*, John Dewell, William Brackston, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony

\* Marked as absent.



Brackston, Arther Curtys\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

Memorandum, at this daye Thomas Smyth, the wever, was restored to his place of a master wever, prout patet in libro.

At this daye it was agreed that all and every the Clothiers inhabitinge within this Boroughe shall from hencefourth put all the wevinge, burlinge, sheringe and dressinge of all and every their woollen cloth to and amongst the poore wevers, burlers and work-folke inhabitinge in this Towne, and shall not hencefourth put the weavinge, burlinge or dressinge of any their cloth into the cuntry, uppon payne of ten shillings to be forfeited and paid for every default, &c.

[p. 114.] 12<sup>o</sup> [Novembris, 1630.]

Players.

Memorandum, Robert Kimpton, Nathaniell Clay, Thomas Holman, and others named in the licence from the Master of Revells, dated the 30<sup>th</sup> of December 1629, tendred themselves to play in Towne, but did not, and were here in Lent last. 5s.

Memorandum, William Perrey and Richard Wickes, the Kinge's servantes, and their company were here x dayes past. 15s.

Richard Bradshawe hath licens and company.

Ellys Garst hath licens and company.

17<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger.

William Boules [and] John Clere affirme and will justifie the wordes that Henry Bode said of Mr. Mayour in contempt, &c., for denyeing to come. William Turnour, Mr. Mayour's sonne, was sent for him.

<sup>2</sup> 17<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

William Grenwaye, one of the Constables of Readinge, complayne[d] against Thomas Hatrell, of Readinge, milner, for strikinge the Constable and otherwise abusing him in wordes, contrarye to the Kinge's peace, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>2</sup> The entry for this day is crossed through in the MS.





Overseers of the poore of St. Marye's will pay 8*d.* a weeke to the Hospitall toward the relief of the poore children.

[p. 117.] Mondaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent\*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston\*, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the ancient orders were read, and overseers of the undertakers of the stocke and workes in the house and abroad were chosen, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne .	.	} for the comon stocke.
Mr. Richard Burren	.	
Willyam Densill, for St. Giles' parishe.		
David Elkes, for St. Lawrence parishe.		
Willyam Mylles, for St. Marye parishe.		
All the wooffe to be spun in the Towne.		

Post meridiem ejusdem diei.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. [blank], Mr. [blank], Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. [blank], Mr. John Newman, Mr. [blank].

At this tyme all the Clothiers in the Towne were warned to appeare before the Mayour and Magistrates and the auncient orders were read to them concerninge the putting out of their wooffes to spinninge within the Towne, requesting them to put their woolles to spinninge in Towne, accordinge to the articles, in respect of the tyme and slacknes of trade of clothinge.

17<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1630, the Company being [present].

At this daye it was informed that Mr. Burren enformed that Willyam Gandye, Edward Richardson, Robert Terroll, William

\* Marked as absent.

Mylles, and Richard Stumpe doe carry their spinning workes fourth of the Towne.

Warrant to be made for executing the orders.

[p. 118.] Wensdaye, j<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1630, ac vj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Maiour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Richard Winche, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Richard Burren, William Densill, Nicholas Westwood, Richard Horsingden, William Mylles.

Francisco Knollis, Knight, Thoma Vachell, Knight, [present].

Hornibond in safe custodie.

Boules.

Limboe and his man.

Widowe Shenfeild.

Werge.

[p. 119.] 2<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1630, et 6<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.  
Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

The informacion of Mr. William Iremonger against Luke Payne, of Readinge, laborer, uppon his oath.

Saith that uppon Tuesdaye night, the last of November, in the night tyme before midnight, his dwellinge house in Readinge was broken open, viz<sup>t</sup>., the hall windore next the streete was broken, and, by the partie offendinge, his key was taken out of his pockett and with that key his cupbord in his hall was unlockt, and there hence was taken in gould, silver and farthinges to the value of 20*li*. or more.

Causes of suspition: that Tuesdaye in the eveninge he was scene at or nere the same windore, fayninge himself drunke, more then once or twise, about ix or ten of the clocke.

[Assises, *in margin*.] Steven Werge and Sir Thomas Cooke, Symon West, John Swayne.

Afterwardes the said Luke Payne restored the money agayne to Mr. Iremonger, prout, etc.

\* Marked as absent.

Willelmus Iremonger cognovit se debere domino Regi 40*li.* quod ipse ad proximas Assisas prosequatur versus eum secundum statutum.

Mr. Reve [*blank*].

The examinacion of Luke Payne, &c.

Beinge examined saith he was not at or neere Mr. Iremonger's windore that daye evening nor night, neither doth he knowe of any that was there that daye or night, neither did he restore any money to him or for him, for he is not faultye or consentinge to any suche busynes. Comitted to gaole.

23<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1630.

The said Payne confessed the fact, to Mr. Reve and restored the money to Mr. Robert Reve the next daye, as he saith.

Robertus Reve, generosus, cognovit se debere domino Regi 40*li.* ad proseguendum versus Lucam Payne ad proximas Assisas de, etc.

[Signed] Robert Reeve.

Memorandum, Steven Werg and Mr. Sachary Smith, if need be, John Swayne and Symon West.

[p. 120.] Fridaye, x<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye the Hall accomptes were made by Mr. John Blake, senior Cofferer, prout, etc.

	Charge.	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Rentes certen . . . .	.	208	01	07
Arrerages . . . .	.	005	16	03
Quit rentes received . . . .	.	000	10	08
Encrochmentes . . . .	.	000	06	08
Casuall receiptes . . . .	.	024	15	09
Total . . . .	.	239	10	11
Rentes unpaid . . . .	.	13	03	3
Soe the true charge . . . .	.	226	7	8

\* Marked as absent.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Paid in ordinary . . . .	114	04	8
Paid in extraordinary . . . .	114	13	8
Paid . . . .	228	18	4
Overpaid, whiche is due to the Cofferer . . . .	3	0	6
Unpaid of ordinary charges . . . .	27	10	0
Unpaid of the last yere's debt . . . .	27	10	0
Indebted . . . .	58	0	6

The rentes unpaid and the arrerages apeare upon the breife accompt and confere to the newe rent role.

As touchinge the 22*li.* due and unpaid of the Mayour's fee the last yere, it was at this tyme agreed that Mr. Gunter shall have x*li.* and Mistris Bateman xij*li.* of the next money that cometh in of the Hall charge, &c.

Henricum Elkyns, de, etc., Johannem Horwood, de, etc., et Stephanum Croft, de Ufton in comitatu predicto, laborers, teneri Ricardo Horsington et Willelmo Nethercliff, gardianis, etc., et Willelmo Mathew et Roberto Wickyns, &c., in 40*li.* The condicion to save harmles the parishe, of and concerninge Elyanour Hart, spinster, nowe great with childe, &c.

Memorandum, Henricus Elkyns, etc., x <i>li.</i>	} ad proximam Sessionem Pacis.
Johannes Harwood, v <i>li.</i> et . . . .	
Stephanus Croft, v <i>li.</i> . . . .	

[p. 121.] Quarter-day, Friday, the xvij<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> Caroli, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. Willyam Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peeter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, at this daye the *iiij<sup>th</sup>*. of Mr. Hamblen's guift to ten poore men was agreed :

4 in St Lawrence parishe . . . 8*s.* a p[ie]ce].

4 in St. Giles' parishe . . . 8*s.*

2 in St. Marye parishe . . . 8*s.*

And the *iiij<sup>th</sup>*. of Mr. Kemishe's :

9 in St. Giles' parishe . . . 3*s.* 4*d.*

8 in St. Lawrence parish . . . 3*s.* 4*d.*

7 in St. Marye parishe . . . 3*s.* 4*d.*

3 shirtes and smockes to St. L[awrence].

3 shirtes and smockes to St. M[arye].

4 shirtes and smockes to St. Giles.

And for relief of the other impotent pore and other needye people, the Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore shall make a tax for 3 monethes' paye, accordinge to the tax in the colleccion bookes respectively to be collected of all men (under *j<sup>d.</sup>* men, and upwards). And this taxe to be collected by the Churchwardens and Overseers of eache parishe fourthwith, and they shall distribute this taxe soe collected to the most poore, by their discretions, viz<sup>t</sup>., nowe at this tide, Candlemas and Midlent, by equall portions, besides their weekly colleccions.

Memorandum, William Gandye is to geve aunswere on Mondaye next, of, &c., his proceeding, &c.

Many questions arose concerninge the comon stocke, but the aunswere, by reason of James Winche his absence, is referd till Mondaye next.

Memorandum, to make the warrantes for the forfeitures of Clothiers. Vide preantea.

Memorandum, to make the bookes against Mond[ay] for collection of this 3 monethes' taxe.

Memorandum, 40*s.* shalbe geven by Mr. Mayour out of the charitable uses to helpe the releife of the poore of St. Giles, in regard the number of poore is soe great there, and the gevers soe fewe.

[p. 122.] Mondaye, 20 Decembris, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus,



Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye William Gandye was called in question concerninge his proceeding in the comon stocke busynes. Vide lanter booke.

At this daye it was moved by Mr. Mayour to have petition to the Lordes of his Majestie's most honorable Privye Counsell for fredome to vent cloth, &c., whiche was by all well liked on, and desired of all, aswell this Company as the most parte of the Clothiers there present, to be fourthwith prosecuted.

And at this daye the orders, made and confirmed by and with the allowance of the Judges of Assize, were openly read to the Clothiers, the better to keepe the wooff spyninge within the Towne, to sett the poore on worke.

And at this tyme warninge was geven to the Clothiers that they put all their wooffe wooll to spyninge in the Towne, and not to carry any wooff out of Towne to be spun in the cuntry.

5<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. Mayour did sett the price of ale and beere, viz<sup>t</sup>., double beere le barell viijs., and soe after that rate ; single beere le barrell iijs., and soe ratably.

Sessio Pacis tenta apud Readinge 11<sup>o</sup> die Januarii, 1630.

At this Session 3 men suffred for felony and burglary.

[p. 123.] 15<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*. Memorandum, Market-daye.

Ambrose Gooddyn, de Henley super Thamisem, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. quod compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis tenendas in comitatu Berkes ad respondendum ad omnia que objicientur, etc., per Willelmum Grenway, unum Constabulariorum, etc.

\* Marked as absent.

Tuesdaye, 18 Januarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burninham\*, Thomas Thackham\*.

For to supplye the want of corne for the poore every markett-daye within this Boroughe, it is agreed that every man of this Company shall lend xxxs. a man, untill Michaelmas next, and Mr. Mayour hath promised the repayment thereof respectively. Mr. Mayour shall furthwith provide a garner to house the corne. Mr. Mayour to apoynt a man to collect the money and to buy the corne in the markett, and pay for it, by Mr. Mayour's direccion; and the corne to be delivered to the poore for their money, uppon Saturdayes and Wensdayes in the after-noone of eache daye, by and with consent of one Overseer of each parishe, the charges deducted ratably by the price, &c.

Mr. [blank] to collect in this money.

One Capitall Burgisse shall assist Mr. Mayour every markett-daye in the provision of the corne.

[The principall agentes in this busynes. Money, 20*li*. A garner, and a Bailey to buy and sell, by direccions of Mr. Mayour, &c., *in margin*.]

[p. 124.] Wensdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

Inter Robertum Creed, querentem, et Johannem Paise, defendentem, apprenticium per indenturam.

About 3 yeres past he, le aprentice, ran away and was awaye 2 or 3 weekes; and then, uppon the receavinge him agayne, he, † th'apprentice promised to serve his master another yeare after

\* Marked as absent.

† Menace, *in margin*.



the indenture expired, for meate, drinke, apparell and xxs. wages, over and above. Probatum per Abraham Watlington, Philippum Browne, et alios, etc. The apprentishippe of vij yeares is expired at Christmas last, confest by all parties. The master was enjoyned to deliver his apparell accordinge to covenant.

Wensday, 26<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Henry Payne, glasier, was convented and charged with the enterteyninge of Samuell Skales, a stranger, that hath wief and children at Godlemyn, which useth glasinge and payntinge, to the hurt of the poore Paynters free-men. Warned to rid his man out of Towne fourthwith.

Robert Grene	} complainantes.
Jonathan Millerd	
Awstin Clement	

[p. 125.] Mondaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1630, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 6<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Francis Knollis [and] Sir Thomas Vachell, Knightes. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*.

Agreed agayne that every Clothier shall put all his wooffe and list to spyning in the Towne to the inhabitantes of the Towne, and the spynners to fetch it at the Clothiers' houses. Mr. Mayour promised to see the orders in that behaulf put in execucion. And if the wooffe will not serve to have a proporcion of warpe to supply

\* Marked as absent.

the want of wooffe, every Clothier shall paye 13*d.* a padd for spinninge ordinary worke, and soe ratably for better workes, as in good tymes past. 19 or 20 Clothiers besides the Companye were present, and heard the former orders and theise orders openly read.

And for the better preventinge the vagrancye and begginge of suche people as maye or can worke within this Boroughe, it is agreed there shalbe a marshall, or an officer called a marshall, that shall take uppe and bringe before the Mayour all suche people, &c. George Baker is apoynted to be the man. Vide le file pur le cotype.

[p. 126.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye John Birche, of Newbery, grocer, made complaint that William Wimpey, wier-drawer, seised a parcell of old wooll-cardes in this Boroughe and keepeth them, contrary to the lawe.

William Wimpey saith that about haulf a yere past he, with the constable, Symon Dye, by vertue of the proclamacion, did seize a parcell old wooll-cardes, to the number of xij d'z., and brought them into the Hall, where they doe yet lye. Referd untill advise maye be had by our Counsell.

Memorandum, William Wimpey hath a proclamacion concerninge wooll-cardes.

Tuesdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Richard Burren.

At this daye it was agreed that a Statute booke, that shall conteyne all the Statutes made in Parliament sithence the 7th yere of Kinge James, shalbe fourthwith provided by the Cofferer.

[xvj Clothiers, *in margin*.] At this daye manye Clothiers appeared, and the petitions exhibited anno 1622 to the Lordes of

\* Marked as absent.

his Majestie's Privye Counsell for liberty of  
in worse maner for clothinge then then it wa  
Clothiers are exhibited for divers cuntries.

Richard Stampe exhibited a petition  
Towne, and is desirous to be silent, unl  
beare charges. Agreed that William  
David Elkes shall collect money of  
charges of him, viz<sup>t</sup>, Richard Stamp  
effect.

[p. 127.] 16<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630. C.  
*Majore, etc.*

Rose Underwood, spinster,  
viz<sup>t</sup>, ij platters, to Henry M  
x of the clocke, saith she  
Shorditch, in the parishe of  
platters in Oxfordshier, but  
not, but whither she was  
cuntrye, she will not de  
Underwood, but where he  
untill, &c. Afterwardes  
stollen pewter, &c., and

18<sup>o</sup> Februarii,  
*Majore.*

Memorandum, J.  
Sandhurst, informat  
lost and there was  
within his garden  
one smocke, and, i  
in Readinge upon  
Richard Cawfield, c  
the other of them  
and the other shirt  
for both their lodge  
Assises. Cogn  
Gishinghame.

Richard Cawfe  
and landinge at N

and travellinge in the way at Harford Bridge mett with Henry [blank], and there came in<sup>5</sup> the company of the said Henry Gishinghame, who gave him the smocke. Confession for his vagrancye, and sent to the House of Correccion.

Henry Gishinghame examined.

Saith he dwelleth at Serne in Dorcett-shiere, and there liveth by the trade of a shoemaker, but he was not there this yere, and since hath lived and wrought in Southampton and other places, and yesterdaye morning he came to Harford Bridge, and from thence to Blackwater, and from thence towards Reading, intendinge there to worke, and, by the waye lacking a shirt, he tooke from a hedge two shirtes and a smocke, of whiche he hath one uppon his backe. and the other he pawned for his victualls. But other company he had none but the other man called Richard, to whome he gave the smocke. Comitted to Gaole.

[p. 128.] 21<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Sir Francis Knollis, Sir Thomas Vachell, John Saunders.

The Marshall shall contynue and William Wilmer shall pay him 4s. a weeke till Easter Sessions, and then he to take the money due to the House of Correccion and paye himself.

21<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

John Roche, servant to Thomas Nelson, of Chaddleworth in county Berkes, Esquire, had his house broken and robd on Mondaye, the xiiij<sup>th</sup> of February, in the night tyme, by persones unknowne, and there hence was stollen and carryed away ix or x peices of pewter, whereof j basen, iij broad [?] platters, 3 egg dishes, j butter plate, j porringer, j spoone, at the kitchen windore. [Assises, *in margin*.] Afterwardes on Wensdaye last, and after the fact, the Constables of Readinge, having informacion by the pewterers of the Towne that there was pewter offered to be sould

<sup>5</sup> In his company of . . . whome gave, MS.

by suspitious persons, apprehended one man and one woman which did offer the pewter to sell, and after that the hue and crye came after suche persons.

The examinacion of Symon Harrys.

Saith he was borne in Wales and dwelt last at Carweys in Flintshier, and there lived by broome makinge, and about ij yeres past came there hence into this cuntry, and here hath spent his tyme in wandring upp and downe and selling of broomes, and was not nere Mr. Nelson's house this quarter of a yeaere. He had noe company but the woman called Rose, which came into this Towne with him. And as touchinge the pewter whiche he brought into this Towne, he bought it nere Stretely, in the highwaye, of a yong woman, a stranger, and paid 3s. for it, some bruised and some wholle, and the woman called Rose bought some of the same partie, and then they both came to Readinge and offred it to sell. Comitted to gaole.

Johannes Roche cognovit se debere domino Regi 40*li*. ad prosequendum ad proximas Assisas, etc., versus predictos Simonem et Roseam Underwod. Vide proximam paginam preantea.

Signum **R** dicti Johannis Roche.

[p. 129.] Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. William Iremonger.

John Butler, a blacksmith, was questio[ned] for dischargeinge John Alnutt his apprentice, by indenture. Agreed to take the apprentice agayne.

Memorandum, John Tynney, a master wever, not free.

Mondaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1630, ac 6<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Willyam Kendricke.

Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice,

\* Marked as absent.



Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*,  
Thomas Harison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight. }  
John Saunders, Esquire. }

Victuallers bound for the observance of Lent.

Henricus Cleere in .	xli.	Johannes Creede in .	xli.
John Arthur .	vli.	Edwardus Brackstone in .	vli.
George Nethercott .	vli.	Willelmus Turner in .	vli.
Nicholaus Middleton .	xli.	Willelmus Turner in .	xli.
Mathew Bond .	vli.	Johannes Creede in .	vli.
Johannes Browne .	vli.	Edwardus Brackstone in .	vli.
Mathew Bond in .	xli.	Henricus Creede in .	xli.
Nicholaus Middleton in .	vli.	Ricardus Cranidge in .	vli.
Johannes Browne in .	vli.	Michael Hamblenden in .	vli.
Johannes Browne in .	xli.	Ricardus Cranidge in .	xli.
Mathew Bond in .	vli.	Henricus Creede in ( <i>pd.</i> ) .	vli.
Nicholaus Middleton in .	vli.	Michaell Hamelden in .	vli.
Johannes Daye in .	xli.	Michell Hamelden in .	xli.
Roberte Creede in .	vli.	Henricus Creede in .	vli.
Simon Cane in .	vli.	Ricardus Cranidge in .	vli.
Roberte Creede in .	xli.	Henricus Hamelden in .	xli.
Johannes Daye in .	vli.	Rogerus Symons in .	vli.
Simon Cane in .	vli.	Willelmus Jones in .	vli.
Simon Cane in .	xli.	Rogerus Symmons in .	xli.
Roberte Creede in .	vli.	Henricus Hamelden in .	vli.
Johannes Daye in .	vli.	Willelmus Jones in .	vli.
[p. 130.] Johannes Arthur in .	xli.	Willelmus Jones in .	xli.
Henricus Cleere in .	vli.	Rogerus Symmons in .	vli.
Georgius Nethercott in .	vli.	Henricus Hamelden in .	vli.
Edwardus Brackstone in .	xli.	Edwardus Androwes in .	xli.
Johannes Creede in .	vli.	Ricardus Holmes in .	vli.
Willelmus Turner in .	vli.	Edwardus Symmons in .	vli.
		Ricardus Holmes in .	xli.
		Edwardus Androwes in .	vli.
		Edwardus Symmons in .	vli.

\* Marked as absent.

## Butchers.

Edwardus Symmons in	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Johnson in	<i>. xli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes in	<i>. vli.</i>	Nicholaus Coplin in	<i>. vli.</i>
Edwardus Androwes in	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Richardes in	<i>. vli.</i>
Georgius Dewell in	<i>. xli.</i>	Nicholaus Coplin in	<i>. xli.</i>
Nicholaus Noble in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Johnson in	<i>. vli.</i>
Francis Thackham in	<i>. vli.</i>	Thomas Richardes in	<i>. vli.</i>
Nicholaus Noble in	<i>. xli.</i>	Thomas Richardes in	<i>. xli.</i>
Georgius Dewell in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Johnson in	<i>. vli.</i>
Francis Thackham in	<i>. vli.</i>	Nicholaus Coplin in	<i>. vli.</i>
Henricus Salmon in	<i>. xli.</i>	Johannes Piggin in	<i>. xli.</i>
Johannes Buckner in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Backhus in	<i>. vli.</i>
Henricus Birde in	<i>. vli.</i>	Edwardus Tayler in	<i>. vli.</i>
Willelmus Marshall in	<i>. xli.</i>	Johannes Buckhus in	<i>. xli.</i>
Johannes Hickes in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Piggin in	<i>. vli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes in	<i>. vli.</i>	Edwardus Tayler in	<i>. vli.</i>
Henricus Birde in	<i>. xli.</i>	Edwardus Tayler in	<i>. xli.</i>
Henricus Salmon in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Piggin in	<i>. vli.</i>
Johannes Buckner in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Backhus in	<i>. vli.</i>
Johannes Hickes in	<i>. xli.</i>	Philippus Shiler in	<i>. xli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes in	<i>. vli.</i>	Ricardus Shiler in	<i>. vli.</i>
Willelmus Marshall in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Miles in	<i>. vli.</i>
Ricardus Walker in	<i>. xli.</i>	Jacobus Hall in	<i>. xli.</i>
Willelmus Kenton in	<i>. vli.</i>	Ricardus Levins in	<i>. vli.</i>
Johannes Greene in	<i>. vli.</i>	Johannes Miles in	<i>. vli.</i>
[p. 131.] Willelmus Kenton		Willelmus Willmer, senior, in	<i>xli.</i>
in	<i>. xli.</i>	Willelmus White	
Ricardus Walker in	<i>. vli.</i>	pro Thoma <sup>6</sup> Towne in	<i>. xli.</i>
Johannes Greene in	<i>. vli.</i>		
Johannes Greene in	<i>. xli.</i>	Johannes Pynnock in	<i>. xli.</i>
Ricardus Walker in	<i>. vli.</i>	Ricardus Levins in	<i>. vli.</i>
Willelmus Kenton in	<i>. vli.</i>	Thomas Wilder in	<i>. vli.</i>

<sup>6</sup> Thome, MS.

Thomas Gerey in .	<i>xli.</i>	Henricus Merifeild in .	<i>xli.</i>
Mathew Jackson in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Pore in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Burford in .	<i>vli.</i>	Henricus Elkins in .	<i>vli.</i>
Valentine Skeate in .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Hulberd in .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Yorke pro	
Robertus Gallant in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thoma <sup>7</sup> Streete in .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Hulberd in .	<i>xli.</i>
Valentine Skeate in .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Yorke in .	<i>vli.</i>
Robertus Gallant in .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pocock in .	<i>vli.</i>
Robertus Gallant in .	<i>xli.</i>	Robertus Treeherne in .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Rakestrawe	
Valentine Skeate in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Isack Treeherne in .	<i>xli.</i>
Georgius Mann in .	<i>xli.</i>	Henricus Merrifeild in .	<i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham in .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe	
Isack York in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Willelmo Lymbe in .	<i>xli.</i>
Isack Yorke in .	<i>xli.</i>	Reynold Cranidge in .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Hulberd in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Warde in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe in .	<i>xli.</i>
Isack Yorke pro		Reynold Cranidge in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmo Evered in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Warde in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jerome Pocock in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ann Chapman, vidua, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Isack Yorke pro		Johannes Bennett in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johanne Gayle in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe in .	<i>vli.</i>
[p. 132.] Johannes Pore in	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Elkins in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Wilder	
Henricus Merifeild in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Roberto Legg in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Elkins in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Merifeild in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Bennett	
Johannes Pore in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Willelmo Hall in .	<i>xli.</i>



Payne Cantrell, gene- rosus . . . <i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Porter . . . <i>xli.</i>
Phillip Perce . . . <i>vli.</i>	Robert Jaques . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Willmer . . . <i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Creed pro Johanne Porter [?] . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johan Porter, vidua . . . <i>xli.</i>	[p. 133.] Henricus Frewyn, junior . . . <i>xli.</i>
Izak Wracke . . . <i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Creed . . . <i>vli.</i>
John Watlington . . . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham pro Henrico Frewyn, seniore . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Watlington . . . <i>xli.</i>	
Izaak Wracke . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Robert Cade <sup>8</sup> . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Henricus Clere . . . <i>xli.</i>	Marye Michell, vidua . . . <i>xli.</i>
George Nethercott pro Johanne Mappleton . . . <i>xli.</i>	George Nethercott . . . <i>vli.</i>
	Francis Nethercott . . . <i>vli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham . . . <i>xli.</i>	
Radulphus Coxed . . . <i>xli.</i>	Robert Corne . . . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Watlington pro Thoma Hatton . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Spenser . . . <i>vli.</i>
	Johannes Noble . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Watlington . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Spenser . . . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed . . . <i>xli.</i>	Robert Corne . . . <i>vli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham pro Gregory Stevenson . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble . . . <i>xli.</i>
	Thomas Spenser . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Jeanes, buc'. . . <i>xli.</i>	Robert Corne . . . <i>vli.</i>
Phillip Rumsey . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Robert Jaques, senior . . . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Clenton . . . <i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Creed . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble . . . <i>vli.</i>
Robertus Jaques . . . <i>vli.</i>	Robert Corne . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Porter . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Robertus Jaques . . . <i>xli.</i>	George Nethercott . . . <i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Creed . . . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spenser . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Porter . . . <i>vli.</i>	Robert Corne pro Willelmo Vinge . . . <i>vli.</i>

<sup>8</sup> The next 3 names are crossed through :—Izake Wracke *xli.*, Johannes Watlington *vli.*, Robert Cade *vli.*

Ellen Bennett	. xli.	Francis Thackham	. xli.
Francis Thackham	. vli.	Radulphus Coxed	
Radulphus Coxed	. vli.	pro Thoma Skynner,	
		egrotato .	. xli.
Willelmus Borman	. xli.	Richard Bagley .	. xli.
Henricus Atkyns	. vli.	Frances Thackham	
Francis Thackham		pro Bennett Bayley extra	
pro Andrea Borman .	vli.	Burgum .	. xli.
Radulphus Coxed	. xli.	Francis Thackham	. xli.
Francis Thackham		Radulphus Coxed	
pro Ricardo Reve,		pro Thoma Sawser,	
egrotato .	. xli.	egrotato .	. xli.

[p. 134.] Quarter-day, Friday, the 4<sup>th</sup> of Marche, 1630, et 6<sup>o</sup> Caroli regis, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, *Mayor*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Willyam Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

Memorandum, to make warrantes to warne in all Churchwardens, Overseers for the poore and Surveyours against Monday next, 8 a clocke.

Edward Bagley exhibited his petition for xijs. he laid out about the Walke 3 yeres past, etc. Agreed the Cofferer shall paye this xijs.

Lease to George Dey, of Bradfeild, of Hugh Larkham's house for 99 yeres (if Tewe's wief and 2 of her children live) &c., under usuall covenantes, &c., he payeing 30s. rent and 20s. fine and herriott.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, that the Cofferers shall survey the Shambles, and to warne the tenant to repayre fourthwith.

[p. 135.] Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630, et vj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq.

The better to proceed in the execution of the lawes and statutes required by the booke of orders and the Counsell's lettres, within this Boroughe, and to make certificate of the proceedings therein, all the Constables, Churchwardens, Overseers for the poore and Surveyours of the highwayes, and other officers of this Boroughe, were summoned to appeare here this daye, and, havinge the orders read and direccions geven them, they are apoynted Mondaye the 28<sup>th</sup> daye of this Marche to bringe in their presentmentes.

At this daye complaint was made against John Dey for harboringe the Ragman and his wief and children, against lawe, &c. He promised to rid them to-morowe.

9<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630. Memorandum, a stranger in London streete, called Symon Appleton, was convented and aunswere was returned he was out of Towne, or durst not shewe himself for feare of arreste, &c., and his wief then came, and she was warned to geve over her shopkeepinge of selling small wares, beinge not free of the Towne. Enformed by George Nethercotte's wief and John Lane's wief that she doth keepe open shoppe.

[p. 136.] [1]2<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

William Grenwaye, unus Constabulariorum, etc.

Memorandum, Johannes Saunders, de Chelsey, in comitatu Middlesex, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi.

Jacobus Leeke, de Chelsey, in comitatu predicto, yeoman. [Vacat, *in margin.*]

\* Marked as absent.

16<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Questions concerninge watche and ward accordinge to the booke of orders. Agreed to be put in execution fourthwith as Mr. Mayour should direct, settinge the Marshall to be one by daye, untill, &c.

Tuesdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1630, 6<sup>o</sup>que regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, armiger.

Memorandum, at this daye Walter Densill promised to paye in the 300*li*. in his handes this daye moneth at the furthest.

25<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

[Sessiones Pacis, *in margin.*] William Turnour, one of the Constables, complayneth that John Dey denyeth to lodge strangers, &c., and abused the said Constables, &c.

Memorandum, Johannes Dey cognovit	} quod ipse compareat ad	
se debere domino Regi x <i>li</i> .		proximas Sessiones
Abraham Edwardes } manuceperunt pro		Pacis, etc., ad respon-
et } ipso Johanne		dendum ad omnia que,
Willelmus Porter } Dey separatim	etc., et quod interim	
	in vi <i>li</i> .	se bene geret, etc.

[Signed] John Day.

Signum dicti Abram, M.

William Porter.

[p. 137.] Mondaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1631, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 7<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtis \*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye a lettre from the Right honorable Earle of Banburye, Highe Steward of this Corporacion, were openlye read, purportinge a resignacion of his Highe Stewardshippe of this Corporacion to the Earle of Holland.

Eleccion was at this tyme una voce (nullo contradicente) that the Right honorable Earle of Holland shalbe High Steward of this Corporacion in the place of the said Earle of Banburye; and accordingly the same was signified unto the said Earle in writinge, under all their handes presente, &c., with purpose very shortly to present it to his Lordshipp under the comon seale, &c. Vide le file, pur le copie.

Memorandum, at this daye Christofer Kenton's wief exhibited a petition to have the lease of the tenement and backside her husband holdeth for his lief, at 40s. per annum, renewed for 3 other lives, for the good of her and her children, [*Lease, in margin*] and the Company, having regard of her and her children, did agree that her husband resigning his old lease and makinge peace with Mr. Gunter for a debt, &c., she shall have a newe lease to her freindes for 99 yeares (to depend upon 3 lives) at iij*l*. rent and x*l*. fine, with ordinary covenantes and condicions necessary, &c.

Richard Mattingley, of Lawrence Waltham, Christofer Newland, of the same, Richard West, of Sutton Courtney, of Elizabeth the wief of Christofer Kenton, Christofer and Thomas, two of her *sonnes*.

[p. 138.] 29<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, Edwardo Clerke, milite, Thoma Vachell, milite, Johanne Sanders, armigero.

The Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore of the parishes in Readinge appeared and, according to their direccions geven them the 7<sup>th</sup> of Marche last, presented as followeth :

\* Marked as absent.

In regard the officers have not collected the taxes layd uppon the severall parishes, they have geven daye untill the 13<sup>th</sup> of Aprill next, being Wensday in Easter weeke, to bringe in all.

George Baker and Joseph Silbye and Thomas Davys, all three have taken oath that every one of theise persons have lately uttered and sould in their houses, severally, lesse then one full ale :

Robert Creed, 2	William Evered
Richard Holmes	Thomas Towne
Edward Andrewes	Widowe Porter
Gregory Stevens	Thomas Hatton
Richard Markham	Robert Gallant
Andrewe Bourman	Nicholas Noble.

[p. 139.] Fridaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631, annoque regni regis Anglie, etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

Some of the Secondary Burgisses appeared, but my [W. Wilmer's] absence caused noe record, &c., how many and who.

At this tyme lettres from the Earle of Holland, the new elected Highe Steward, were read concerning his acceptance of, &c., and his, &c., but the lettres I read not, and Mr. Mayour hath them, ut dicitur.

Memorandum, the iiij<sup>th</sup> daye of Aprill, 1631, th'Assises were holden at Abingdon, at whiche tyme all the recognizances, informacions and examinacions in Mr. Mayour's charge were returned and attended in Court. Per W. W[ilmer].

At this Assises xj men suffred death for their severall offences, whereof 3 were of this Towne, viz<sup>t</sup>, Luke Payne, Joseph Samuell, John Hall.

[p. 140.] Goodfridaye, 8 Aprilis, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

\* Marked as absent.



John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

The 3 poore Maides elected to cast the lott are theise, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

3. In St. Giles' parishe, Alice Feryman, servant to Mr. Dycus 8 yeares and half at Lady Day, cast 14 : she had the lott.

1. In St. Marye parishe, Jone Cutler, servant to Sir John Blaggrave, Knight, 6 yeres, came the 5th yeare, 8. [. . . testa' an[n]o 5<sup>to</sup>, *in margin.*]

1. In St. Lawrence parishe, Jone Benham, servant to Mr. Sanders 12 yeres, 12.

Memorandum, this is the 5<sup>th</sup> yeare since a Maide-servant capable to the lott had her lott to cast for the 20 nobles, by direccions of the will.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blaggrave paid to the Company, accordinge to his uncle's will, x*li*. in a newe purse; and by direccions of the will, the said Mayour and Burgesses did then distribute and paye the same x*li*., as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

To the poore Maidservant by lott . . .	vj <i>li</i> . 13s. 4 <i>d</i> .
To the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence . . .	xxs.
To the Churchwardens of St. Mary . . .	xxs.
To the Churchwarden of St. Giles . . .	vjs.
To the Preacher of St. Lawrence . . .	xs.
To the Clarke and Sexten of St. Lawrence . . .	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
To the Churchwarden, junior . . .	iijs. 4 <i>d</i> .

At this daye the iiij*li*. of William Legge's guift, accordinge to his will, was distributed to xxiiij poor housholders by the said Mayour and Burgesses, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

To 8 in St. Marye parishe	} 3s. 4 <i>d</i> . a peice.
To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe	
To 8 in St. Giles' parishe	

At this daye alsoe the iiij*li*. of Widowe Worsley's guift was distributed to lx poore widowes, xij*d*. a peice, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

To 25 in St. Giles' parishe	} 12 <i>d</i> . a peice.
To 25 in St. Lawrence parishe	
To 10 in St. Marye parishe	

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Thomas Coxed, one of the sonnes of Mistris Anne Coxed, one of the sisters of Mr. John Blagrove, required a legacye of 25*li.* due to him by his uncle's will.—Agreed, in regard there is 25*li.* in W. W[ilmer's] hand, that he shalbe fourthwith paid by William Wilmer, whoe hath it in keepinge.

At this daye question was made with Danyell Blagrove concerning the 100*li.* due for ij yeares' rentes. He promised to geve answere uppon Wensdaye come fortnight in the Hall.

[p. 141.] Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631, annoque regni regis Anglie, etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye the Overseers for the poore in eache parishe within this Borough made their accomptes of all the moneys by them taxed and collected and disposed in charitable uses in the yeare nowe ended. The particuler accomptes appeare at large in the booke of those accomptes, and uppon the file of that booke, &c.

Fridaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631, ac 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye Mr. Mayour convented all those persons whiche were warned to compound for the order of knighthood and for their contemptes, &c., and he did then geve notice of the day and place in whiche the Comissioners doe sitt agayne at Newberye to compound with those whiche have not compounded. The copie of the returne appeareth uppon the file.

27<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631.

Lawdaye and Sessions for the Clarke of the Markett were holden this daye, before the said Mayour and Burgesses.

27<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus,

\* Marked as absent.



Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Memorandum, at this daye the Law-daye was holden for this Boroughe and the Jurye for the Clarke of the Markett sworne, as appeareth uppon the file, &c. Nota Sir Edward Clerke's recordes.

At this daye Mr. Danyell Blagrove, accordinge to his former apoyntment, made his appearance concerninge the ij yeares' rent in arrerages for Southcott, to pay legacies, and, in regard there are none legally due, he requested forbearaunce 3 yeres upon securitye. Referd till the next quarter-daye.

At this daye Mr. Mayour brought in and delivered into the Hall and then put into the chest the quietus for the yeare Mr. Nicholas Gunter was Mayour, 1629, and the quietus for the yeare Mr. Walter Bateman was Mayour. And at the same tyme was taken out of the chest and delivered to Mr. Mayour, the quietus for the first yeare of Kinge James, Mr. Thomas Turnour, [Mayour] and the quietus for the second yeare of King James, Mr. Rich[ard] Turnour, then Mayour.

[p. 142.] 25<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

<sup>9</sup> Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the fortye poundes heretofore geven to this Corporation by Mr. Gabriell Barbour, agent for the Virginia Company, at the lottery holden here anno Domini [*blank*], for to be lent to six poore tradesmen, *vj*l*. xiijs. iiij*d**. apeece, for 5 yeares gratis, was due and payable, to be lent agayne for other 5 yeares.

<sup>9</sup> The Absences are not marked for 25 April.

29<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

Ad Sessiones Pacis. Elizabeth Palmer,	} quod ipsa compareat
spinster, x <i>li</i> .	
Thomas Spencer, etc., et	
Willelmus Wayte manuceperunt } pro ipsa	
separatim sub pena v <i>li</i> .	} ad proximas Ses-
	} siones Pacis ad re-
	} spondendum ad om-
	} nia que tunc, etc. et
	} quod ipsa interim se
	} bene geret, etc.

Nulla prosecutio. P, H, Willa. Wa.

30 Aprilis, 1631.

Sessiones. Frances Deane: Timothie	} quod ipsa compareat
Deane, etc., et Daniell Glasse, shoemaker,	
manuceperunt separatim pro	
ipsa Francisca sub pena x <i>li</i> . per se	
	} ad proximas Ses-
	} siones Pacis, etc. et
	} interim se bene
	} geret, etc.

Nulla prosecutio.

[Signed] Daniel Glase.

Fridaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

At this daye the 40*li*. of the lottrey money was disposed of to six other tradesmen, accordinge to direccion of the donour, viz<sup>t</sup>, gevinge securitie:

To John Asten, shoemaker	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Henry Nethercliffe, shomaker	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Bartholomewe Lake, cowper	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Willyam Jeanes, butcher	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Thomas Hill, joyner	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
Henry Clarke, cardmaker	.	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .

[p. 143.] Monday, 2<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer

\* Marked as absent.

Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

At this daye Mr. Robert Malthus and Mr. Christofer Turnour were chosen to attend the Counsell table, uppon Mondaye the 7<sup>th</sup> of this moneth of Maye, to aunswere the Counsell's lettres concerninge charitable uses, but especially Mr. Kendricke's stocke; and that their charges shalbe borne out of Mr. Kendricke's accomptes.

3<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631.

Whereas one Thomas White, a travellinge chapman, is sodenly deceased in the house of one John Noble in St. Lawrence parishe, it is required that search shalbe made whether he be dead of the plague, yea or noe. Marye Holte and Ann Rocke were both sworne to searche the corps and to returne the truth to their knowledge presently, and they both in haulf an hower returned and said they never did see a fayrer corps in all their tyme, void of suspition of the plague, &c.

[p. 144.] <sup>1</sup> 3<sup>o</sup> die Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Elizabeth Dee, spinster, late of Wokingham, complayneth that she is with childe by William Andrewes, of Wokingham, clothier, for she was servant with Mr. James Andrewes, his father, 13 yeares, or thereabouts, and of late he hath made shew of love and mariage with her and . . . hath had carnall knowledge of her bodye . . . and promised her mariage.

Examination. William Andrewes saith he cannott denye but he hath had familiar acquayntance with her and will take order for the keepinge of the childe, &c. Certificatus.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>1</sup> The business recorded for 3 May is crossed through in the MS.

<p>[Ad Sessiones Pacis, <i>in margin.</i>] William Andrewes cognovit se debere domino Regi xli.          Jacobus Streete, de Wokingham predicto, joyner, et          Johannes Warner, de Wokingham predicto, felt-maker, separatim manuceperunt pro prefato Willelmo sub pena vli. . . . .</p>	}	<p>quod ipse compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis, etc., ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.</p>
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[Signed] William Androwes.  
 James Streete.  
 ioh<sup>n</sup> Warner.

Assumpsit quod non indemnificatur, etc., ratione h . . .

Eodem die. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

<p>[Ad Sessiones Pacis, <i>in margin.</i>] Willelmus Randall, de Readinge, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi xxli.          Johannes Goodbares, de, etc., et          Willelmus Boreman, etc., manuceperunt separatim sub pena vli. . . . .</p>	}	<p>quod ipse Willelmus compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. Ad petitionem parochianorum Sancti Lawrentii.</p>
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[Signed] William Randalphe.  
 John goodbarnes.  
 Willm Boreman.

4 Maii, 1631.

Mary Barratt, the wife of John Gooddyn, complayneth that about Whitsontide last, she beinge in Readinge with her brother Richard Barrett, William Randall, of Readinge, took his opportunitye in an evening . . . . and . . . . had carnall knowledge of her bodye by reason whereof she was with childe by him the said William Randall, and afterwarde she, findinge herself with childe, tould her brother, and he made some agreement with William Randall and had bondes one of another, but she had some way, neither doth Randall pay any thing towards it, although he agreed to paye xvjd. a weeke, and she, simply thinkinge to, save her credit, tooke to husband the said Gooddyn about Whitsontide last.

6<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Major.*

Ricardus Barrett cognovit se debere domino Regi *vli.*, ad prosequendum versus William Randall pro et concernens uno bastard.

[Signed] Richart Barrett.

[p. 145.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631, ac 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour.* Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

At this daye the Bishopp's visitacion was holden in Readinge, and at this daye the Bishopp's Chauncellour, Mr. Doctour Lyn, came from the Bishoppe to have some speaches with Mr. Mayour and his Brethren about Mr. Grenhill's keepinge a grammer schoole within the Boroughe: but the determynacion thereof is refer'd till the morowe morninge before the lord Bishoppe, and it came in question by a reference from the Kinge's Majestie to the Lord Bishoppe upon Mr. Grenehill's petition.

6<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Major.*, etc.

For that on Tuesdaye was senight he stroke Mr. William Turnour, amonge [?] the Constables, in the presens of many people and denyed to deliver fourth his wheate to the poore at suche rates and prices, prout, &c., having bought it out of markett, &c., the last markett before. By reason of the scarcitey and want of corne in the markett . . . the Constables tooke iiij<sup>or</sup> quarters of wheate from him as it came and deliverd it to the poorer sort of people at 7s. the bushell whiche came to 11*li.* 4s., whiche 11*li.* 4s. the Constables paid him in Mr. Mayour's house.

\* Marked as absent.



<p>[Assises, <i>in margin.</i>] Thomas Hatrell, etc., cognovit se debere domino Regi xxli, et Johannes Pemmerton manu- cepit pro seipso xli.</p>	}	<p>quod ipse compareat ad proximas Assisas ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc., et quod in- terim se, etc., bene geret ver- sus, etc., et precipue versus constabularios Reading.</p>
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[Signed] John Pemmerton,  
Thomas X Hatrell. Non prosecutus.

[p. 146.] Wensdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Ire-monger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe \*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the variences betwene Michell Hamblen and his wief were heard and in parte reconciled, and to live together, as, &c. And the differences betwene Michael Hamblyn and Edward Bagley were perswaded to be referd to Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders to be by them agreed.

At this daye a lettre from Mr. Robert Maulthus and Mr. Christofer Turnour concerninge their appearaunce before the Lordes of the Counsell and of their proceedinges in their busynes was openly read and considered on, and agreed by all and desired that land might be bought with the rest of the money as it was desired at the first.

<p>Assises. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, <i>Ma- jore</i>. Memorandum, quod Ricardus Bagley cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. Johannes Bagley, etc., et Barton Turnour manuceperunt separatim sub pena xxli.</p>	}	<p>quod ipse Ri- cardus compa- reat ad proxi- mas Assisas ad responden- dum ad om- nia que, etc.</p>
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Assises. Elizabeth Russell, pros' uxor' Willelmi Russell.

\* Marked as absent.

14<sup>th</sup> Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Mayour*.

Thomas Bagley, de etc. cognovit se debere domino Regi x*li*.

Robertus Wickens, de etc., et Wilhelmus Wymer, senior, etc. manuceperunt separatim sub pena xx*li*.

quod ipse compareat ad proximas Assisas tenendas in comitatu Berkes ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc., et quod interim se bene geret versus Custodes populi Domini, et precipue versus Willelmum Turnour, unum Constabulariorum, etc. Certificatus fuit.

[Signed] Thomas Bagly, Wm. Wilmer, Robertt Wickens.

By vertue of a warrant from the Lord Cheiffe Justis to bynd him to the Assises and to be in the meane tyme of good behaviour. In manibus Constabulariorum.

Johannes Bagley assumpsit indempnare, etc.

[p. 147.] 14 Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Mayour*, etc.

\* William Grenwaye and William Turnour, constables, complayne that John Asten, shoemaker, uppon Friday night, 1<sup>o</sup> Aprilis last past, did strike the constable Grenwaye and was busye in the tumult and turbulent people assembled in the night tyme abo[ut] 9 or 10 of the clocke.

Assises. Memorandum, quod Johannes Asten, de, etc., cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*.

Anthוניus Brackston, de, etc. et

Edwardus Brackston, de, etc. manuceperunt separatim sub pena x*li*.

quod ipse Johannes compareat ad proximas Assisas tenendas in comitatu Berkes ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc, etc., et quod interim se bene geret, etc.

Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

\* This and next paragraph crossed through, and *vacat* written in the margin.

\* Marked as absent.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent\*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren\*, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Robert Maulthus and Mr. Christofer Turnour, beinge come home from their attendance at the Counsell table, as they were requested, by consent of the Company, in obedience of the Counsell's lettres, made it knowne to the Company in what manner they proceeded in the aunswere of their busynes before the Lordes and of their successe therein.

[p. 148.] 19<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

[Assises, si, etc. *in margin*.] Richard Dearing complayneth that his sonne, John Dearinge, is <sup>3</sup> hurt with a knlfe by John Massye and feareth some further danger and prayeth that order maye be taken for his fourthcominge. Retraxit.

John Massye cognovit se in 40*li*. and Mr. Edes in xx*li*. quod compareat cum inde requisitus ad respondendum, etc.

19<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

<sup>4</sup> Henry Woodman, de Harwell, in comitatu Southampton, yeoman, did threaten the constable, William Grenwaye, &c., and said he would be even with him and doe him the like kindnes in another place, and for denyeing to goe before the Mayour (being requested to pay tole for the load of corne he brought into Towne) denyed to paye tolle, &c.

Assises. Memorandum, quod	} quod ipse compareat ad proximas	
predictus Henricus Wood-		Assisas tenendas, etc. ad re-
man cognovit se debere		spondendum, ad omnia que,
domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .		etc. et quod interim se bene
.		geret versus custodes populi
Johannes Jenyns, de, etc. et	} domini Regis et precipue ver-	
Humfridus Milles, de, etc.		sus Willelmum Grenwaye, etc.
manuceperunt separatim		Non prosecutus.
sub pena x <i>li</i> .	.	.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>3</sup> his. MS.

<sup>4</sup> This and next paragraph crossed through, and *vacat* written in the margin.





was meate in a tubbe standinge in the stable whiche his mother gave him, and it was hid there, because his father in lawe should not knowe of it, yett her husband said it was Symon Cane's gooddes and willed her she should not speake of it, yet after the Assises his mother in lawe fetcht all the fleshe unspent.

Elizabeth Samwell cognovit se debere domino Regi *xli.* ad testificandum. Non vult.

Elizabeth Collyns, widowe, cognovit se in *vli.* ad testificandum. Non vult.

#### The confession of Henry Spier.

Saith that he is altogether innocent of the busynes and he and his wief at that tyme when the swyne are supposed to be stollen were both very sicke and a long tyme after lay sicke and speechles [?], like to dye, and did never heare any suche thing untill the Assises was past and then he was told of suche a matter about a hogg, &c. Certificatus fuit, etc.

Assises. Henricus Spier cognovit se de-	} quod ipse compareat
bere domino Regi <i>xli.</i> . . .	
Luke Jenever, de, etc. et	
Thomas Underwood <i>xxli.</i> . . .	
	ad proximas Assisas
	ad respondendum ad
	omnia que, etc.

The confession of Jone Spier, the wife of Henry Spier: saith her husband and she are abused, &c. Certificata fuit, etc.

[p. 150.] Quarterday, Friday, the *iiij<sup>d</sup>* day of June, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> Caroli, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, *egrotus*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, *egrotus*.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., *absens*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, Willyam Brackston, John Dewell, *absens*, George Thorne, John Blake, *absens*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, *absens*, Robert Dee, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peeter Burningham, *absens*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Mayour brought in the *ij* quieti, which were taken out of chest to satisfy the Sheriffe for arrerages in his charge.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, to call for the names of those poore whiche had Mr. Packer's guift of 5 quarters of wheate and 5 quarters of barley in this Towne, 27<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1631, by Mr. Plott and Mr. Ede's apoyntment, &c.

As touchinge the payment of 50s. laid out for caridge of 10 quarters of corne of Mr. Packer's guift to 40 poore people of this Towne ; agreed that the Cofferer shall lend 50s. for one moneth to pay that money, and then this Company shall and will repay it by a private contribucion amongst themselves proporcionably, &c .

Memorandum, the deodandes that John White gave his word to be aunswered concerninge the death of a . . . . . endinge [?] be called in question the next tyme.

At this daye the contynuaunce of payment to the Lecturers was in question and it was agreed it shall stand as it doth and every man of this Company to pay as he did.

John Wigge's petition shalbe graunted the next tyme, but the Cofferers in the meane tyme shall viewe the house and returne their viewe and judgements of the value. Vide le file.

Memorandum, Gabriell Barnes shalbe considered on at the next meetinge.

Memorandum, Mr. Robert Maulthus and Mr. Christofer Turnour shall have the residewe of their charges expended in attending the Lordes of the Counsell at the next accomptes of the Undertakers, &c.

Memorandum at this daye Mr. William Hacke, executour of Richard Johnson's will, showed the will to this Company and what legacies are geven them thereby.

[p. 151.] Tuesdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1631, ac 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Willyam Iremonger, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, the goodes in kinde, movend' ad mortem, doe belong to the Corporacion and they are at their choise to take the goodes found in kynd or a composicion for the value thereof at their pleasure.

At this daye a lettre from St. John's Colledge, dated 24<sup>th</sup> of Maye, 1631, was openly read, mencioninge the preferment of Mr. Thomas Walker and that a place in the same Colledge being void belonging to this Corporacion, willing by the assistance of some learned man in the examynacion of our schollers and with their advise to name suche as may be fitt for studye of lodgicke to be there with them before the 27<sup>th</sup> day of June next, dated 24<sup>th</sup> Maii, 1631, was openly read to the Company. The manner of proceeding in this eleccion, viz<sup>t</sup>.: Mr. Doctour Byrd, beinge Schoolmaster, was called and acquaynted with the lettres from the Colledge, and requested to name 3 of the most fitt schollers in his Schoole, whereof one of them maye [be] elected and sent with certificate to the Colledge, and he named theise 3 and affirmed that every one of them was fitt.

Willyam Creed I [20].

Robert Winche I I I.

Andrewe Byrd I I.

At this daye the said Mayour and Burgesses have elected Willyam Creed, the sonne of John Creed, aged 16 yeres, beinge a hopefull young man, uppermost in the schoole, and a very fitt scholler, to have the place belonginge to this Corporacion in St. John Colledge, in the place that Mr. Thomas Walker did resigne, and certificat thereof apoynted to be made accordinglye.

[p. 152.] Fridaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, and Sir Francis Knolls, junior, made knowne the Counsell's lettres concerninge the levyeing of 6,000 Englishe voluntiers to be employed in the service of the King of Swedon, dated 8<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1631.

\* Marked as absent.

Wensdaye next to have collection towards the apparellinge of  
x voluntarye Souldyers entertheyned into the company of Captayne  
Hammond of Collonell Hamilton's Regiment in this Towne, viz<sup>t</sup>. :  
[*blank*].

22 Junii<sup>6</sup>, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Francis Knollis [and] Sir  
Thomas Vachell, Knightes, Mr. Nicholas Gunter \*, Mr. Robert Maul-  
thus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer  
Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Robert Bent, John Dewell, George Thorne, William Jacobb,  
Thomas Harrison.

[No business recorded for this day.]

2<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Virtute warranti a Domino Capitali Justiciario Anglie, dati 4<sup>o</sup>  
Maii, 1631, et heret cont' 3 menses.

Johannes Bagley cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii.	} quod ipse compareat ad proxi- mas Assises tenendas in et pro comitatu Wiltes, et quod interim teneat pacem domini Regis, etc., versus Willelmum Hayward, de Chipnam. [Wiltes, <i>and</i> Certificatus fuit, <i>in margin.</i> ]
Robertus Wickyns,	
de, etc. et	
Willelmus Wylmer,	
senior, etc.	

[Signed] John Bagly, William Wylmer, Robertt Wickens.  
Memorandum quod assumpsit indempnare, etc.

[p. 153.] Mondaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Francis Knollis \*, Sir Thomas  
Vachell, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William  
Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William  
Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William  
Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony  
Brackston \*, *misericordia*, Arther Curteis \*, *misericordia*, Richard  
Burren \*, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas  
Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

<sup>6</sup> Julii, MS.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye warninge was geven to William Gandye and James Winche to provide the 2,000*li*. and paye it in with the increase uppon Michaelmas daye next, and the rest of the undertakers shall have warninge to doe the like.

At this daye it was agreed that in full satisfaction for the deodand due by reason of the death of [*blank*] Rumsey's wief, in the markett place, neere Thomas Thackham's dore, John White, whoe did undertake to paye for it, shall paye to the use of the Hall xlvjs. viij*d*., and soe an end for that deodand.

8<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631.

Then Richard Bagley, upon earnest request and submission, &c. promised to re-delyver to Russell's wief all the goodes mencioned in the inventarye, and all the rest (if any be) which are not named in the inventarie, and the 3 bushells of barley, suche and soe good as it was when it was taken this daye, and remitt all charges, &c. But she shall paye him this quarter's rent, unlesse she wilbe gone out of the house. Witnesse: Mr. Constable Grenwaye, John Watlington, Giles Pryer, Francis Thackham.

11<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631.

Th'Assises were holden at Abingdon.

[p. 154.] 15<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631<sup>7</sup>. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

John Beale, examined concerninge the difference betwene William Grenway, constable, and Richard Booth.

Saith that uppon a Fridaye about vj a clocke there was cudgell playeing in the markett place and there was ij loades of wheate uppon whiche the people did tread, and, the corne in danger of spoilinge, the Constable came and requested the players to play ellswhere, and Richard Booth being present did then play on, and he would stare them out, &c. And he did then see Richard Booth thrust the Constable from the place. Licōn.

Obadia Osgood saith he did then heare Richard Booth call the Constable cox-com, and he did then see him take up the cudgells, and holding the cudgells in his hand did, with the hiltes of the cudgills, thrust at the Constable, &c.



Richard Booth doth not deny the bidding of them to play, &c., but denyeth the striking of the Constable.

Assises. Virtute warranti Willelmi Jones,	} quod ipse compareat
Militis, unius Justiciariorum, etc.	
Assisarum, in manibus Willelmi	
Turnour. . . . .	
Ricardus Booth cognovit se debere	
domino Regi x <i>li</i> . . . . .	} quod ipse interim se bene geret versus Willelmum Grenway, constabularium, etc.
Robertus Wickyns et	
Andreas Bowerman separatim ma-	
nuceperunt pro ipso sub pena	
xx <i>li</i> .	

[Signed] Richard Boothe, Rob. Wickens, Andrewe Bormen.

Relaxatus per assensum partium. Licōn.

18<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631.

Then Ellys Guest, Richard Errington and their company, players, shewed their licence under the seale of the Master of the Revells, dated the 15<sup>th</sup> of July 1631, to endure six monethes, viz<sup>t</sup>., the xvj<sup>th</sup> of January next, desired leave to playe, but did not.

[p. 155.] Tuesdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631, ac 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

At this daye question was made concerninge the raisinge the 53*s*. 4*d*. or 3*li*. expended uppon the commissioner for archerye and forfeitures thereof within this Corporacion. Agreed that it shalbe levyed of the offendours not excedinge 12*d*. a man, if it will arise soe, otherwise more of the better sort.

Th'accomptes of the voluntarye contribucion towards the apparelling of the 11 voluntiers souldyers :

John Dewell expended 9*li*. 3*s*. 2*d*. ½*d*.

Wensdaye, 20 Julii, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Thomas Skynner made request agayne to have the difference betwene Charles Glasse, the sheregrynder, and his apprentice heard and determyned, prout, etc.

25<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

John Rabford, of Hammersmyth, in com. Middlesex, husbandman, saith he bargayned in Readinge faire for a mare, colourd dun, ij white feete, at iij*li*. price and goeing to the tole booke (of William Jaques, late of Winchester), could not procure vowcher offered to run awaye, was apprehended presentely, and he had another bay geldinge at his hostes at Broadgate in Reading, &c.

Assises. Th'examynacion of Robert Jaques, late of Winchester, servant to Mr. Marten in the barley season there. Sent to Ward to be examined.

Beinge examined concerninge the dun mare, with ij white feete, whiche he had to sell in Readinge faire and the bay geldinge gald upon the ribbs beinge in the stable at Broadgates, saith he bowght them both of one man in Shaftesburye faire uppon Midsomer day last; the mare cost him iij*li*. and for the gelding he paid iiij*li*., but saith he did not take for them, neither doth he remember the name of the man of whome he bought them. He had noe companye nor other goodes but an old saddle and bridle, and beinge demanded why he offer'd to run away, saith he had noe intent to run awaye but to seeke some freind to be voucher for him. And from Winchester about Whitsontide and staid [?] by his mother in the parishe of Yovill in Somersettshire buyeing and selling butter and cheese at markettes and fayres. Comitted to Gaole.

[p. 156.] 28<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

[Ad Sessiones Pacis, <i>in margin.</i> ]	Roger	} quod ipse compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc obijicientur, etc., quod interim se bene geret, etc.
Kelsey, de Readinge, in comitatu		
Berkes, habberdasher, cognovit se		
debere domino Regi x <i>li</i> .	.	
Edwardus Wiseman, generosus, et		
Willelmus Moore, de, etc., manuceperunt		
separatim sub pena v <i>li</i> .	.	



Willelmus Moore, de, etc. cognovit se	} quod ipse compareat ad
debere domino Regi x <i>li</i> .	
Edwardus Wiseman, generosus, et	
Rogerus Kelsey manuceperunt sepa-	
ratim sub pena vi <i>li</i> .	proximam Sessionem
	Pacis, ad, etc., et quod
	interim se bene ge-
	ret, etc.

[Signed] Edw. Wiseman, Roger Kelsey, Will. Moore.

Tewsdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Taxe. Agreed that a taxe of iiij<sup>or</sup> weekes' paye of the hable men shalbe had to raise the iiij*li*. xiijs., 30s., 23s. 7*d*. and 50s., and the other iij*li*. and 28s. shalbe raised in their due place.

A remedye to have repayment of these moneys disbursed by officers in the affaires of the Towne.

Law-daye. The Constables have disbursed	} iiij <i>li</i> . xiijs.
in relieving Souldyers and other poore people	
travelling lawfully and throughe this Towne	
in this yeare . . . . .	

In redeeming the inhabitantes from the	} iij <i>li</i> . vel id circiter.
penalties of the statute for not usinge bowes	
and arrowes, &c. . . . .	

Taxe. For the wages of the marshall at	} xxxvj <i>s</i> .
iiij <i>s</i> . the weeke, 9 weekes . . . . .	
And for cloth for makinge his coate . . . . .	xxiijs. vij <i>d</i> .
And for makinge the coate [ <i>blank</i> ].	

And for the money paid for carridge of the	} ls.
ten quarters of corne of Mr. Parker's guift . . . . .	

And for the remayne unpaid for the ap-	} xxviijs.
parellinge and coates geven uppon request to	
the voluntary Souldyers . . . . .	

[p. 157.] 5 Augusti, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

\* Edward Strowd complayneth that these persons doe oppugne, &c. and threaten, standeth in feare of him, Nicholas Lampier, causa,

\* Marked as absent.

\* This entry is crossed through in the MS.

saith he will spend his blood ; James Hamblen, eadem causa, for threatning he will doe mischeiffe. Warrantum conceditur, etc. Juratus coram eodem Majore.

[Ad Sessiones Pacis proxime tenendas, *in margin.*]

<p><sup>9</sup> Nicholas Lamphier cognovit se debere domino Regi xx<i>li.</i> . . . . Johannes Bennett, de, etc., et Johannes Dorney, de, etc., manuceperunt separatim sub pena x<i>li.</i></p>	}	<p>quod ipse compareat<sup>1</sup> ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc objicientur, etc. et quod interim teneat<sup>2</sup> pacem versus, etc. et precipue versus Edwardum Strowd, etc.</p>
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Nicholas lanper, John Bennett +, John Dorney \*.

Memorandum, to looke out John Creede's lease and to make the newe.

Memorandum, the auditt uppon Fridaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1631, at Maidenhe[a]d.

9<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

At this daye Francis Thackham, one of the Sergeantes at the Mace, complayned that upon [*blank*] last Richard George did not onely strike him and put him in danger of his lief, but used very opprobrious wordes against the government and magistrates.

Witnesse : William Greneway, Ralph Coxed.

13<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Moore and the rest of his company, under the name of the Lady Elizabeth her Highnes' servantes, shewed their licens to playe, &c., desiringe liberty to playe in the Towne Hall, &c., signed with the Kinge's signett.

Mr. Wyndebanke, &c.

xxs. was geven to him to forbearc their playe at this tyme in Readinge.

[p. 158.] Mondaye, 15 Augusti, 1631.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

<sup>9</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

<sup>1</sup> comparuit, MS.

<sup>2</sup> tenet, MS.

Sessio seu curia Clerici Mercatii hospitii domini Regis Anglie, etc., per Carolum Walker, deputatum Hugonis Maye, armigeri, virtute litterarum patentium datarum 4<sup>o</sup> anno domini regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Nomina Juratorum ad inquirendum pro domino Rege, etc., et ad taxandum, etc.

Georgius Wooldridge, juratus, primus.

David Elkes		Mathewe Turnour	
Andrewe Wright		Richard Alright	
William Curtis		George Millisent	
John Johnson		John Wilder	
Edward Johnson		John Creed	
William Underwood	} jurati.	Roger Walker	} jurati.
Lawrence Creed		Walter Fynmore	
John Davys		Robert Creed	
Abram Watlington		Roger Frewyn	
John Mylles			

Eodem die William Turnour, one of the Constables, and John Watlington, one of the Wardens have taken oath that Henry Clere did resist them in takinge in distresse for a taxe of 8*d*. and offred violence in strikinge the said Watlington, and that the next yeare they would have boyes out of the free Schoole to be Constables, &c. Standeth at liberty upon his good behaviour untill the next Sessions. Licōn.

[p. 159.] Mondaye, xxij<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1631, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Willyam Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtyes\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye question was made concerninge the undertakers of the comon stocke to hold or paye in, &c. Agreed the money shalbe

\* Marked as absent.

disposed as formerly it hath byn, untill, &c.; and whereas Mr. Gandye intendeth to paye in the 2,000*li.* in his handes at Michaelmas next, it is agreed that soe muche of that 2,000*li.* shalbe placed into the Towne as convenyently maye be for the good of the poore, and the residewe thereof into the house to that purpose, &c.

As touching the 160*li.* in hand, Mr. Mayour would have the 160*li.* in hand employed in buyeing wooll, but the majour voices would not agre thereunto, yet it was agreed if a fitt clothier shalbe found that will undertake the handlinge thereof that he shall have the 160*li.* to buy wooll, geving securitye, &c.

Memorandum, all those matters were muche questionede but not fully agreed by all the Company.

[p. 160.] Eleccion daye, Thursdaye, j<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631, annoque regni regis Caroli etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, sceneschall, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mayour and Capitall Burgesses, by directions of their chartre did nominate and apoynt 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in election for one of those 3 by the said Mayour and residue of the Burgesses to be elected Mayour for the next yeare as by their chartre is required, viz<sup>t</sup> :

1. Mr. John Newman | | | | | | | | | | [11] Mayour elect.
2. Mr. William Kendricke | | | | | | | | [9].
3. Mr. Robert Maulthus.

At this daye John Wylder, grocer, made request to have leave to enlarge his shoppe some 3 or 4 foote, uppon the streete. Agreed

\* Marked as absent.

that it shalbe viewed by the Cofferers and by the Company to be considered if it be fitt to be spared.

Memorandum, a discharge for the deodand.

[p. 161.] 4<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*, etc.

William Grenwaye and William Turnour, constables, complayne that they beinge in their privye watche about xij<sup>o</sup> or j<sup>o</sup> of the clocke in the night they found great disorder in the house of John Hicke, the vintener, in Readinge, and the persons offending were John Bagley, &c., at whiche tyme John Bagley did call them knaves, rogues and . . . threatens, and swore he would be revenged of them, and did call for a knife, and used many oathes, &c., and urged and dared them to have him to the Cage, affirming it was his glorie to be put in Cage, &c.

Both the Constables.

Joseph Jones, <i>solvit</i>	.	} quilibet eorum juratur, quod that
George Mustyn	.	
John Undersole	.	
Frauncis Paise	.	
Valentyne Esdall	.	
Richard Bussell	.	} they and every of them did heare
		} John Bagley sweare in the mar-
		} kett place and in Hicke's house not
		} soe little as 40 oathes, per Deum,
		} et alia, etc., fearfull oathes.

And at Cardnall Hatt, 26<sup>o</sup> Julii, above 40 oathes Joseph Jones, John Undersoll and many others, most grevously and fearfully, xx and more. [Assises, *in margin*.]

4<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod Jo-	} quod ipse compareat ad proximas
hannes Bagley cognovit	
se debere domino Regi	
xl <i>i</i> .	
Robertus Wickyns, etc., et	
Johannes Nashe manucepe-	} Assisas tenendas in comitatu
runt pro seipso separa-	
tim sub pena xx <i>i</i> .	
	} predicto ad respondendum ad
	} omnia que tunc objicientur et
	} quod interim se bene geret
	} versus dominum Regem, etc., et
	} precipue versus Constabularios
	} de Readinge, etc.

[Signed] John Bagly, John | N Nashe, Robertt wickens.



[p. 162]. 5<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Henry Clarke informeth that ij men, calling brethren, in the nature of pedlers or chapmen, having packes of wares, with their wives, have byn and lodged at the Broadgates the most parte of the tyme since Bartholmew daye last, and some of them have divers tymes misbehaved themselves, and caused trouble to the watchmen.

Raphe Edwardes [and] Thomas Higgins, watchmen, saye that there was ij or iij men and weomen, strangers, that about xij a clocke in the night the last night soe misbehaved themselves in quarrellinge and fightinge that the neighbours were disquieted, and theise watchmen forced to call the Constable to pacifye them.

Thomas West saith that he, amongst others, was the last night at Widowe Bennett's dore and there he heard brawling and fightinge with pedlers and their wives, and that John Pitt's wief, beinge abused by her husband, she said he was a base theife and was whipt at the whipping post.

John Pitt, of Abingdon, chapman, saith he hath lived there but since All Saintes last, and came from thence with his wief on Wensdaye was fortnight last, but to this Towne on Thursday last, and all this tyme he hath spent his tyme in travellinge from one gentleman's house to another, sellinge lawnes, diapers and cambricks, and suche like wares, and for suche wares hath taken nere 30*li.* in money, and with the money he brought from home he hath in money above 40*li.*, besides his wares. And further saith he bought and had all those wares of Mr. Thomas Cope at the Key in Cheapside about a moneth past.

At Mr. Sanders' of Wolston, 5*li.*, at Sir George Wilmott's, at divers others knightes' and gentlemen, Sir Francis Pile's, 12*li.*

Jone Pitt, the wief of the said John Pitt, saith it [is] truth in all thinges, prout, etc., and that they are goeing to paye their money at London.

Nul cause ad imprisonandum.

[p. 163.] 5<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

Thomas Hill cognovit se de- bere domino Regi in <i>xxli</i> . Marye Hill, vidua, et Edwardus Smyth, de Reding, clothworker, manucepe- runt separatim pro pre- dicto Thoma sub pena <i>xli</i> . pro se	}	quod predictus Thomas Hill ad comparendum ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad responden- dum ad omnia que, etc., et quod interim se bene geret, etc. Certificatum fuit ad Ses- siones Pacis.
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[Signed] Thomas Hill, Mary Hill, Edward Smyth.

<sup>9</sup> Memorandum, then I lent Thomas Hill the cotype of the order and he promised to re-deliver it to me to-morowe. Mr. Mayour, per W. W[ilmer], Mr. Constable.

19<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631, 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, sceneschall, Mr. John Newman, Mayour elect, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esquire, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the wholle Companye appeared and all the busynes in question was concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's busynes. Vide librum in illa parte, etc.

All other matters referd till next Fridaye, whiche is Quarter-daye.

[p. 164.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, sceneschall, Mr. John Newman, Mayour elect \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke \*.

<sup>9</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., *postea*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenynges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Goodwife Kenton paid x*li*. for the fine due of the new lease, to rest in my handes till the lease be made and sealed, provided she agree with Mr. Gunter.

At this daye 3 leases formerly graunted were sealed, viz<sup>t</sup>., to John Creed, George Dey and Gilbert Brackston. xxx*s*. Fine paid Cofferario in Aula.

Memorandum quod, at this daye alsoe one quietus for the fee-farme the last yeare in whiche Mr. Bateman was Mayour was taken out of chest and delivered into the handes of Mr. Mayour to direct the payment for this yeare.

At this daye it was agreed that the 50*s*. formerly lent to paye for the caridge of ten quarters of corne of Mr. Packer's guift to the poore of this towne shalbe paid by and out of the money arisinge for charitable uses soe soone as may be.

At this daye it was agreed that a lettre of attorney shalbe sent to George Varney, of Great Harwood, in com. Buckes, to demaund, and distreyne for iiij*li*. due to the poore this Michaellmas out of the landes late John Ingram's at Sackleborowe.

As touchinge forreynours and fremen, vide lez papers sur le file. Nihil factum fuit sed multa verba, etc.

Memorandum, Daniell Blagrove to be warned against the next meetinge to agree uppon security for the 100*li*. due for ij yeares' rent, &c.

[on p. 165.] xxxj<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1631.

The accomptes of the Amerciamentes for the yeare past.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Received of Frauncis Thackham for the amerciamentes of the Law-daye . . .	vij	iiij	iiij
Received of him for the amerciamentes for hogges and other nusaunces . . .		xvj	
Received of him for the amerciamentes of the Clerke of the Markett . . .	iiij		
	<u>xj</u>	<u>xix</u>	<u>iiij</u>

\* Marked as absent.



For the Rent of the House of the Market and the Rent and the Expenses . . . . .	ii	i	ii
For the Expenses for the whole year . . . . .		xx	
For the Rent for wine and sugar and the other things . . . . .		x	
For the Expenses for their paynes about the house . . . . .		xv	
For the Thomas Barnes for other service . . . . .		ii	vi
For the Expenses for the house . . . . .			xii
For the Expenses for their paynes in collecting the . . . . .		xxxiij	& xv
For the Expenses for the house . . . . .		viii	vi
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Rest to the Collector . . . . .			iiiij

1631. 10. 10. 1631.

#### The accomptes of the Constables of the tax for the Maymed Soldiers.

At this have the Constables made their accomptes of the tax by  
it collected by warrant, and it appeared by the bills they had  
sent that xvij. of which they had given in relieving and  
renging four travellers and Irishe and Souldyers, viij. and up-  
on. where renging paid, there rested to paye the charges of the  
said xvij. of which for his wages 40s. and towards his coate  
the rest unpaid viij.

1631. 10. 10. 1631. [Borough of Reading, in margin.] Mondaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Octobris,  
1631. 10. 10. regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour. *Mayor*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight,  
*Deputy*. Mr. John Newman. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert  
Atkins. Mr. William Mauithus. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer  
Went. Mr. William Iremonger. Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders \*. Esquire. Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William  
John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony  
Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye and tyme the said Mayour made his accomptes openly in the Towne Hall of all rentes, somes of money and other charitable guiftes in his charge in all the yeare, as by the particulers thereof may appeare.

At this daye the said Mr. John Newman the elected Mayour the direccions of the chartre, in the presens of his predecessour Mayour and the other Burgesses, did take the—1. oath of Supremacye, 2. oath of Mayour and Justice of Peace, 3. oath of Clarke of the Markett. And the said Mayour by and with consent of his Brethren did then name and apoynt Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

Arthur Curtys	}	Cofferers, jurati.
Richard Burren		
George Dewell	}	Constables, jurati.
Edward Bagley		
John Harrison	}	Gardiani in High Ward, jurati.
John Hicke		
John Pynnocke	}	Gardiani in Minster Ward, jurati.
Richard Fellowes		
Edward Blagrove	}	Gardiani in London Ward, jurati.
Willyam Bourman		
William Shottocke	}	Gardiani in New Ward, jurati.
Willyam Blackman		
Frauncis Buckridge	}	Gardiani in Old Ward, jurati.
Marten Morland		

[p. 166.] Wednesdaye, the 5<sup>o</sup> October, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., Lawdaye.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

Arthur Curtice, John Jennyns, Robert Dye.

William Sidbury	}	jurati, scrutatores corii infra Burgum.
Henry Osborne		
John Miles		

William Gandy            }  
 Thomas Lawrence        } jurati fuerunt supervisores panni.

At this daye the Lawe-daye was holden for this Boroughe.

Nomina Juratorum.

Thomas Thackham, juratus, primus.

Willelmus Turnor	Thomas Illesley
John Castell	Robert Jones
Edward Baker	Nathaniel Jerrard
Richard Holmes	Christofer Blower
John Hall	Thomas Pippes
Henry Plomer	William Hulbert
Thomas Chaundler, senior	John Bartlett.

Afferatores            { Thomas Thackham, William Turnour,  
                               { John Castell, Edward Baker.

Greene broadcloth IIII.

Greene dornex IIIIIIIIIIIII [14] of the best.

Striped —

[p. 167.] Tuesdaye, xj<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye there was nothinge in question but th'accomptes of the comon stocke. Vide librum.

Wensdaye, xij<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye it was agreed that 200*li*. shalbe delivered to James Winche and William Blacknoll, upon their two bondes to be repaid at demaund, untill further security may be had and more money received, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

Mondaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, departed, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, departed, Arthur Curtyce, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye the Cofferer was willed fourthwith to provide a newe carpett for the table in the Counsell-chamber of the best greene dornex, sufficient in length and breadth, and a new table of a yard longer then the old table.

[p. 168.] 30 Octobris, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

George Dewell and Edward Bagley, constables, informe that the last night they beinge in privey searche, about xj of the clocke, found in Elkyn's house in St. Giles' parishe 7 persons, viz<sup>t</sup>., 3 men and 4 weomen, some in bed and some in the chimney corner, drinkinge, wandringe people.

Examined separatim.

1. Elizabeth Grenway, the wief of William Grenwaye, of Oxford, a rat-katcher, beinge in this Towne the last night at the house called the Starr, expecting her husbände's cominge, and whilest she was there they came into that house, 4 weomen and 3 men, whiche supt in the house, 5 in one company and 2 in the other company, but this Examine is not of their company neither knoweth any of them.

2. William Grigg, a sayler, saith he liveth at Bristoll with his father at the signe of the Rose and Crowne. Saith the cause of his beinge in this Towne yesterday is that he is travelling to London to an aunte he hath dwelling in Wapping, Jone Grigg, in the company of a young man and his wief; and being booted and spurd, was demanded where his horse is, saith he hath none, but came from Bristowe in his bootes, saith he hath byn maryed two yeares to his

\* Marked as absent.

wief that is with him, and saith he hath noe acquayntance of the other persons in the house but onely with a woman borne in Bristowe, but noe testimoniall.

3. Katherine Grig saith she was married to William Grig at Whitsontide ij yeares, and are travelling to his aunte to Wapping in the company of another man and his wief that lodged at their father's, travelling to London in company with them, and noe acquayntance of the rest, but onely the woman that was borne in Bristowe, whose husband is in gaole.

4. Alice Morrys, the wief of Phillip Morrys, in Reading gaole, came yesterdaye to Reading and, havinge lodged formerly at the Starr in Reading, went thither for lodgeinge and there she found the said William Grigg and his wief at supper in the company of others, and in her company there came from Theale a young man whiche she knewe not, but caused to lodge at the Starre. The cloke is her owne, as she saith.

5. Michael Marten, a seafairinge man, dwelt lately at Dunster in Somersetshire and came from sea about vj weekes past, and came from his uncle, John Marten, a baker, in Marleboroughe, and is nowe goinge to London to his Captayne, Mr. John Banfeild, to goe to sea agayne with him. Noe testimoniall and hath noe acquayntance of the people in the house but onely the woman that he came from Theale in company [with] to Reding the last night.

6. Roger Forster saith he comes from Ireland with his wief and his wive's sister, intending to goe to London to worke at his trade of silkewevinge. Mr. Edmund Forster, a lawyer, and his clarke are his freindes, but noe acquayntance with any of those persons, but onely by his coming from Bristowe.

Nul accusacion.

[p. 169.] Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.



8 Novembris, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, *Majore*.

Joane Tompson, spinster, servant to Thomas Symes, of Readinge, saith that upon Saturday last in the Markett place nere Mr. Dewell's dore, about ij of the clocke in the afternoone,<sup>1</sup> her purse was cutt from her girdle with xj or xijs. in money, but howe or what partie had it she knoweth not, but she lost her purse and money; and further saith that one woman, a stranger, and a wenche using to the gaole did come nere her without any cause of busynes, whiche maketh her mistrust.

Christian Westbrooke saith she was in the Markett place and bought 5 farthingworth of oppes. The cause of her beinge in this Towne is to attend her mother.

Alice Morrys, the wief of Phillip Morrys, in gaole in Readinge, accused for vagrancye and other idle courses, &c.

Both comitted to the House of Correccion.

9<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1631.

William Nitingale, of Cane End, complayneth that uppon Saturdaye was sevenight his house was broke open and there hence was stollen 3 wascotes, 3 sheetes, ij shirtes, j smocke, 3 cheeses, j pewter platter, j fa . . . , 29s. 7d. in money.

Christian Westbrooke saith she doth knowe the men that did robbe the house, viz<sup>t</sup>, Willyam Harvey and William Taylour<sup>2</sup>, vagrantes, for their sweetehartes are in gaole, and they use to come to Elkyn's house.

[p. 170.] Mondaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1631, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, *misericordia* 12d., George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, *misericordia*

<sup>1</sup> Saith<sup>is</sup> repeated here in the MS.

Harvey and 'Jone Willyam.'

<sup>2</sup> Over these names are ' & Margaret

\* Marked as absent.

12d., Thomas Harrison, *licentiatus* \*, Peter Burningham \*, *miseri-*  
*cordia* 12d., Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye the Comissioners' warrant requiring the Mayour and Burgesses to sett downe in writinge when they receaved the legacyes geven by Mr. John Kendricke and to geve them a true accompt howe muche they have disbursed thereof and to what purpose they have employed the same, from tyme to tyme, and thereof to deliver notice to Sir Frauncis Knollis within 3 weekes next followeing, was openly read, and their aunswere was then in a readynes read and liked of all, intendinge the next morning to deliver the same to Sir Francis Knollis, accordinge to the order. And the next morninge Francis Thackham, the serjeant, was sent to knowe Sir Frauncis his pleasure, and the serjeant returnd for aunswere that Sir Frauncis was then at London.

Tuesdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Memorandum, at this daye the Widowe Hobbes requested meanes to relieve her and her vj children, she beinge unable to keepe them; and she offred if they would lend her x*li*. 3 yeres she would geve securitye aswell to repay the money as to discharge the Towne and parishe of her children duringe the 3 yeaes. And then agreed that uppon security she shall have the x*li*. in the handes of the Churchwardens of St. Giles' parishe (of Humfrey Champion's gift.)

Memorandum, at this daye Mr. Mayour convented Mr. Grenhill and did signifye to him that he was required by lettres from the Chauncelour of Sarum to forbid him the teachinge of grammer in this Boroughe at his perill. His aunswere is he hath not taught any thorough childe since his Majestic's lettres, &c.

[14 171.] Mondaye, the v<sup>th</sup> of December, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*,  
Mr. William Kendricke.

Anthony Brackston, Arther Curteis, Richard Burren.

At this daye the Hall accomptes were made by Anthony Brackston, cofferer for the yeare past.

Th'Accomptant was charged with rentes certen	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
for this yere . . . . .	208	17	9
Quitrentes . . . . .	000	13	0
Encrochementes paid . . . . .	000	09	10
Uncerten receiptes had . . . . .	011	12	8½
Arrerages had and received . . . . .	005	05	0
	226	18	3½
Ordinary paymentes . . . . .	145	15	4
Extraordinary charges . . . . .	048	02	7
Arrerages of rentes charged . . . . .	005	07	8
	199	05	7

There remayned in th'Accomptante's handes  
whiche was then paid to Arther Curteis the next  
Cofferer . . . . . *li.* *s.* *d.*  
26 6 0

The Hall indebted to Mr. Kendricke's accomptes  
for money laid out of that purse for conduct money . 27 10 0

And 50*li.* to Mr. Kemishe his guift to charitable uses for whiche  
the Hall payeth iiij*li.* per annum to performe the will.

At this daye Mr. Gunter did remitt and forgeve a debt of iiij*li.*  
due to him whiche he laid out to travelling Souldiers, &c., to buy  
a faire carpett and geve the table in the chamber.

Eodem die. Coram Johanne Newman, *Majore*, et Johanne  
Saunders, armigero.

William Thomas, *alias* Headache, of Whitley, complayneth that  
one John Lawson, nowe in the Counter in Readinge, uppon [*blank*]  
was fortnight came to his house in Whitley and did sommon him  
and his wief to appeare in the High Commission Court uppon Tues-  
daye the xxix<sup>th</sup> daye of that November (without any warrant) affir-  
minge then that he would take oath in the Court that he had warned

\* Marked as absent.



them to appeare and to aunswere one Thomas Pider, &c. And beinge examined, amongst other thinges, saith it was a Scottishe tricke to aunswere an Englishe tricke, and to terrifye William Headache to make him make a composition with him in the behaulf of Thomas Pider concerninge a mariage with one of Headach his daughters, &c. Comitted for lacke of sureties till next Sessions.

William Headache cognovit se debere domino Regi *vli.* ad prosecutionem.

7<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1631. Partes concordabant et ad petitionem Willelmi Headache predicti Johannes Lawson exoneretur. Materia ponitur in arbitrio Magistri Kendricke.

[p. 172.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni Regis.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, *egrotatus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, *licenciatus*, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, *licenciatus*, John Jenynges, Robert Dee, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

[1.] At this daye Mr. Henry Atkyns in the behaulf of himself and others of the cuntrye made request to have their goodwill of this Company, by waye of benevolence, towards the making of the cawseys and causeways betwixt Cawsam Bridge and the Vasterne. And the Company did then geve *xijd.* a peice voluntarily towards the well doeing therof.

2. At this daye it was agreed that the Widowe Maulthus and Widowe Stevens shall holde the tolle of the markett from St. Thomas' daye next for one yeare, they payeing *xxvjs. viijd.* a weeke (exceptinge the 3 tide weekes).

3. At this daye William Stretche, the assignee of the executour, brought in the deedes of the stable and backside geven to charitable

\* Marked as absent.

uses (by Richard Johnson), viz<sup>t</sup>., one deed, viz<sup>t</sup>., the purchase deed, with a bond and the counterpart of a lease, to Robert Dye of one loft.

4. At this daye it was agreed that William Stretche making good assuraunce to the Mayour and Burgesses and their successours of the entrye whiche Richard Johnson held by lease of Mr. Fynmore and, surrendringe the former lease of John Alarder's land, that he shall have a lease of John Alarder's house in the Markett place for 99 yeares (if 3 lives live), &c., at iiij<sup>l</sup>. per annum and 5<sup>l</sup>. every third yeare to make gownes, and under suche other covenantes, prout etc.

5. At this daye alsoe a lease of the stable buildinges and back-side was graunted to Robert Dye and William Stretche for 3 lives at iiij<sup>l</sup>. per annum for the wholle premisses and they to devide as they are agreed and to have severall leases from the Hall.

6. The iiij<sup>l</sup>. of Mr. Hamblen's guift, viijs. a man :

4 in St. Lawrence parishe.

4 in St. Giles' parishe.

2 in St. Marye parishe.

The iiij<sup>l</sup>. of Mr. Kemishe's guift iijs. 4<sup>d</sup>. a peice :

8 in St. Lawrence	.	} parishe.
9 in St. Giles'	.	
7 in St. Marie	.	

The x shirtes and smockes of Mr. Pococke's guift :

iiij in St. Giles'	.	} parishe. Vide le file.
ij in St. Lawrence	.	
ij in St. Marie's	.	

[p. 173.] 17<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, etc., *in margin.*] Matheus Payne, generosus, cognovit se debere domino Regi xx<sup>l</sup>. quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc., ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc., et quod, etc.

[Signed] Mat. Paine.

21<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1631.

Thomas Stane, a ragman, dwelleth in London, in Kent Streete, in Newington parishe, and there liveth by gathering ragges for the

paper milles, was charged with vagrancye, not havinge any pasport or testimonyall, &c. Had libertie to be gone till to-morrowe at John Dey's request and promise, &c.

<sup>8</sup> xxj<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*. Henry Salmon and Mistris Treherne affirme that Mr. William Bankes of Grey's Inn did, &c.

Fridaye, 30 Decembris, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. William Kendricke.

Whereas at this daye the 100*li*. due by Mr. John Blgrave's will Mr. Danyell Blgrave intreated the Company to have pacience as touching the payment, and faithfully promised to paye the 100*li*. due by Mr. John Blgrave's will in this place uppon the next quarter-daye before all the Company.

Wensdaye, the iiij<sup>th</sup> of Januarye, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., presente.

Informacion of disorder in Mathew Beale's house at xj a clocke in the night; proved. He was forbidden to keepe alehouse, required to finde sureties at or before Twelftide.

Cicely Dolman [and] Elizabeth Beale comitted to the House of Correccion.

[p. 174.] Mondaye<sup>4</sup> 9<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., absent, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

<sup>3</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>4</sup> Originally 'Fridaye, vj.'

Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye those quæres tendred to the Mayour and Burgesses by the Commissioners concerninge Mr. Kendricke's busynes were openly read and the aunsweres to every of them agreed uppon to be newe written and aunswered when, etc. Postea, viz<sup>t</sup>, Wensdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Januarii, the Mayour and surveyours and undertakers were called to the *George* and there examyned to all the queres, prout, etc. Vide lauter liber.

Mondaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Turnour brought in the quietus for the yeare Mr. Walter Bateman was Mayour and the quietus for the yeare Mr. Thomas Turnour was Mayour.

And at this daye the quietus for the second yeare of King James and for the 6 and 7 yeres of King Charles were delivered to Mr. Mayour to shewe the Sheriffes, &c.

Afterwardes the quietus for the 3 yeare was sent to Mr. Saunders, &c.

[p. 175.] Eodem die.

Thomas Nicholls, of Wendover, in the county of Buckes, baker<sup>4</sup>, a yeare and more, liveth there in his owne house and by buyeing knitt stockyns came to this Towne on Saturday last about x or xj a clocke without any company, nor intendinge to meete any, nor knew of any company. Noe licence to travell.

Thomas Neast, a chapman, selling awles and wares for shoemakers and taylours, saith he dwelleth in Chaseley in Worcester-shiere, a taylour by trade, but beinge indebted is forced to absent himself from his wief and children and to travell to gett his living by

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>4</sup> chapman, crossed through here.

any lawfull meanes. Noe company. Noe licence to travell. Comitted to the House of Correccion.

Rob[er]t Parker, a wheeler, dwellinge at Ipsteene, taken in our markett with twoe bushelles of masline of the corne of one Mr. Blagrove's of Tadley, beinge sett downe at th'ende doore whilest he went in to drinke with one of his neighboures, and att his cominge forth, missinge the corne at the place yt was sett, perceaved yt uppon the shoulders of this Parker, havinge newlie taken yt and cariege yt awaye.

1<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

Mathew Deane, Andrewe Mase, Edward Ireland, Humfrey Parker, William Osborne, smithes, complayned that the newe shere-grynder hath a man, a stranger, in this Towne, that maketh all yron workes to the great hinderaunce of the freemen. At Aveye Howell's. Promised reformation.

At this daye Henry Molyns was forbidden sellinge of beere att his perill after the faire : he confest his former offence.

[p. 176.] Mondaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight.

Henry Dawson, of Readinge, taylour, lived all his tyme in Readinge, &c., untill within theise ij yeares, and theise ij yeares he lived and wrought at Caversham with John Deane, and from thence to Henley, first with one Smith, a taylour, in Henley, about 3 monethes, and from him to Robert Warder, a taylour, in Henley, about vj weekes and from him to Lionell Freman, a taylour, in Henley 5 or 6 weekes, and from him to Lashbrooke and there with one Thomas Langford, a taylour, fortnight, and from him to one Clarke, in Henley, j weeke, and from thence to Winsor to one Starkey, a taylour, 3 dayes, and from thence to Colebrooke to Christofer Browne, a taylour, 5 weekes and from thence to Eaton to James Butler, a taylour, above a yeare, and from thence to Readinge where he nowe keepeth shoppe. [Eaton, *in margin*.]

Memorandum, Richard Ashmore cognovit se debere xli. quod ipse Henricus compareat cum, etc. Accusator intervenit.



[p. 177.] Wensdaye, 8 Februarii, 1631, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Willyam Iremonger \*, Mr. Willyam Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye it was informed that uppon Tuesday before xij day one Humfrey Parker did speake in the hearinge of divers witnesses, opprob[r]ious wordes against the Mayour and Burgesses, viz<sup>t</sup>, (inter alia) the Towne was governed by a Company of geese in furred gownes. George Allen, testis.

The confession of Humfrey Parker. He saith that the wordes whiche he spake were by the relation of Mr. Langley.

[p. 178.] Thursdaye, [blank] Februarii, 1631, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 7<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Thomas Vachell \*, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Minster Ward.

Edwardus Androwes,	Johannes Backhowse,
vitler, in . . . xli.	vitler . . . xli.
Johannes Piggen, in . vli.	Johannes Piggen, in . vli.
John Backhowse, in . vli.	Edwardus Androwes in . vli.
Johannes Piggen, vitler,	
in . . . xli.	Ricardus Waker, victuler . xli.
Edwardus Androwes <sup>s</sup> , in vli.	Johannes Arthur, in . vli.
Johannes Backhowse, in vli.	Thomas Bedwell, in . vli.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>s</sup> Addrowes, MS.

Nicholaus Noble, in-		Johannes Noble, in	. xli.
holder, in .	. xli.	Johannes Johnson, in	. vli.
Edwardus Symons, in .	. vli.	Henricus Mollyns, in	. vli.
Francis Thackham, in .	. vli.		
		Henricus Mollyns, in	. xli.
Edwardus Symons, in-		John Johnson, in	. vli.
holder, in .	. xli.	Johannes Noble, in	. vli.
Nicholaus Noble, in .	. vli.		
Francis Thackham, in .	. vli.	Johannes Noble, in	. xli.
		Francis Thackham, pro	
William Vinge, butcher,		Ellen Bennett, in	. xli.
in .	. xl.		
Roger Symons, in .	. vli.	Ricardus Jones, in	. xli.
Richard Shawe, in .	. vli.	Rogerus Symons, in	. vli.
		Willelmus Vinge, in	. vli.
Johannes Pinnock, in .	. xli.		
Francis Thackham, in .	. vli.	Willelmus Jeanes, butcher .	. xli.
William Vinge, in .	. vli.	Phillip Rumsey .	. vli.
		Robert Jackwey .	. vli.
High Ward.		[p. 179.] High Ward [contd.].	
Johannes Daye, in .	. xli.	Johannes Arthur, cooke, in	. xli.
Edwardus Symons, in .	. vli.	Ricardus Waker, in	. vli.
William Bagley, in .	. vli.	Matheus Bond, in	. vli.
Thomas Hatton, in .	. xli.	Math[e]us Bond, victuler .	. xli.
Georgius Man, in .	. vli.	Johannes Arthur, in	. vli.
Ralph Coxhead, in .	. vli.	Ricardus Waker, in	. vli.
Georgius Man, in .	. xli.	Ricardus Waker, in	. xli.
Thomas Hatton, in .	. vli.	Matheus Bond, pro	
Ralph Coxhead, in .	. vli.	Symon Cane, victler, in .	. xli.
Willelmus Bagley, in .	. xli.	Nicholaus Middleton, vict-	
Francis Thackham, pro		ler, in .	. xli.
Maria Stevens, vidua,		Matheus Bond, in	. vli.
in .	. xli.	Johannes Tither, in	. vli.
Johannes Johnson, in .	. xli.	Johannes Tither, victler, in	. xli.
Henricus Mollyns, in .	. vli.	Nicholaus Middleton, in	. vli.
Johannes Noble, in .	. vli.	Matheus Bond, in	. vli.



Jacobus Hall, victler, in . . . xli.	Henricus Hamlen, butcher, in . . . xli.
Francis Thackham, in . vli.	Jacobus Hamlen, in . vli.
Thomas West, in . vli.	Thomas West, in . vli.
Elizabeth Baylie, vidua, victler, in . . . xli.	Jacobus Hamlen, butcher, in . . . xli.
Thomas Thackham, in . vli.	Henricus Hamlen, in . vli.
Jacobus Hall, in . vli.	Thomas West, in . vli.
Johannes Creede, butcher, in . . . xli.	Thomas West, butcher, in . xli.
Edwardus Brackston, in vli.	Henricus Hamlen, in . vli.
Edwardus Creede, in . vli.	Jacobus Hamlen, in . vli.
Edwardus Creede, butcher, in . . . xli.	Henricus Cleere, victler, in xli.
Johannes Creede, in . vli.	Francis Thackham, in . vli.
Edwardus Brackston, in vli.	Georgius Nethercott, in . vli.
Edwardus Brackstone, in . . . xli.	Thomas Spenser, vicler, in xli.
Johannes Creede, in . vli.	Thomas Lea, in . . . vli.
Edwardus Crede, in . vli.	Henricus Merifeild, in . vli.
Roberte Jaques, butcher, in . . . xli.	Willelmus Jones, butcher, in xli.
Henry Creede, in . vli.	Henricus Hamlen, [in] . vli.
William Turner, in . vli.	Francis Thackham, in . vli.
Henry Creede, butcher, in . . . xli.	Robertus Creede, vicler, in . xli.
Robert Jaques, in . vli.	Frances Nethercliffe, in . vli.
Willelmus Turner, in . vli.	Thomas Hidgden, in . vli.
William Turner, butcher, in . . . xli.	Thomas Skinner, vitler, in . xli.
Henry Crede, in . vli.	Johannes Poore, in . vli.
Robertus Jaques, in . vli.	Daniel Martin, [in] . vli.
	Johannes Poore, vitler, in . xli.
	Daniel Martin, in . vli.
	Thomas Skinner, in . vli.

<sup>6</sup> Georgius Dwell, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Jerom Pocock, vicler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
<sup>6</sup> Nicholas Coplyn, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Valentine Skeate, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
<sup>6</sup> Johannes Clynton . . . <i>vli.</i>	Isack Yorke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Hickes, vint-	
ner, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Isack Yorke, vicler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Henrie Salmon, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Valentine Skeate, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Arthur Liford, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Jerom Pococke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Henrie Salmon, vintler	
[ <i>sic</i> ] . . . <i>xli.</i>	Elizabeth Gallant, vidua,
Johannes Hickes, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	vicler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Arthur Liford, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Isacke Treehearne, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
	Thomas Hidgden, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Bagley, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Isack Treehearne, inholder . . . <i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Jerom Pococke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Isacke Yorke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
[p. 180.] London Ward.	
Thomas Towne, victler,	Isacke Treehearne, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Jerome Pococke, pro
William Willmer, senior,	Willelmo Everedd, vicler,
in . . . <i>vli.</i>	in . . . <i>xli.</i>
William White, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Andreas <sup>7</sup> Boreman, vic-	Jone Pither, vidua, vicler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
ler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Hidgden, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Blagrove, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Hulbard, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Boreman, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Edwardus Blagrove,	Daniell Martin, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
vitler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Henricus Hamlen, pro
Andreas <sup>7</sup> Boreman, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardo <sup>8</sup> Barnes, vitler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Boreman, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Valentine Skeate, vicler,	Daniell Martin, vitler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Skinner, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Isack Yorke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Poore, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Jerom Pococke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	
	Francis Nether-Cliffe, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
	Daniell Martin, pro
	Johanne Gale, in . . . <i>xli.</i>

<sup>6</sup> These are marked for erasure.<sup>7</sup> Andreus, MS.<sup>8</sup> Ricardus, MS.

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Henricus Byrd, inholder,	Willelmus Kenton, vicler .	<i>xli.</i>
pro se, in .	Thomas Hidgden, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Nicholas Coplyn, in <i>vli.</i> }	Francis Nethercliffe, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Clyntor, in <i>vli.</i> }		<i>m'.</i>
Nicholas Coplyn, in .	Francis Nethercliffe, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Byrd }	William Kenton, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Clyntor }	Thomas Hidgden, in .	<i>vli.</i>
		<i>m' in vli.</i>
Anne Edwin, vidua, in .	Thomas Hidgden, vicler, in	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Pinnock, in .	William Kenton, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in .	Francis Nethercliffe, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in .	Martin Moreland, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Vinge, pro	William Jones, pro	
Willelmo Lymbo, in	Roberto Legg, vicler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
	William Hulbard, vitler, in	<i>xli.</i>
[p. 181.] Old Warde.	Thomas Skinner, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Phillip Shiler, victler, in	Isack Yorke, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Shiler, in .	Edwardus Hollawaye, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Phillip Goddard, in .	Radulphus Coxhead, pro	
Johannes Greene, victler	Ricardo Holmes, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Elkins, in .	Edwardus Hollawaye, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Burford, in .	William Cooper, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Henricus Elkins, vicler,	Radulphus Coxhead, in .	<i>vli.</i>
in .	William Cooper, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Burford, in .	Edwardus Hollewaye, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Greene, in .	Radulphus Cooper, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Burford, in .		
Johannes Greene, in .	New Warde.	
Henricus Elkins, in .	Thomas Lea, vicler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Kenton, in .	Henricus Merifeild, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Hidgden, pro	Thomas Spenser, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Thoma <sup>9</sup> Street, vic-	Henricus Merifield, vicler, in	<i>xli.</i>
ler, in .	Thomas Lea, in .	<i>vli.</i>
	Thomas Spenser, in .	<i>vli.</i>

<sup>9</sup> Thome, MS.

Francis Thackham, in . xli.	Jone Porter, vidua, in . xli.
Martin Seavor, pro	Johannes Wapshott, in . xli.
Willelmo Hall, vitler,	
in . . . xli.	Bennett Baylie, in . xli.
Reinald <sup>1</sup> Cranidge,	Francis Thackham, in . vli.
butcher, in . xli.	Radulphus Coxhead, in . vli.
Ricardus Shaw, in . vli.	
Ralph Robinson, in . vli.	Old Ward.
	Nathaniell Blacknall, in . xli.
Radulphus Robinson,	Willelmus Cooper, in . vli.
butcher, in . xli.	Francis Thackham, in . vli.
Ricardus Shawe, in . vli.	
Reynold Cranidge, in . vli.	Roger Symons, butcher . xli.
	Willelmus Vinge . vli.
Francis Thackham, in . xli.	Ricardus Shawe, in . vli.
Willelmus Vinge, pro	
Ricardo Hanckoke, in xli.	Ricardus Shaw, butcher,
Anne Chapman, vidua, in xli.	in . . . xli.
Willelmus Vinge, in . vli.	Rogerus Symons, in . vli.
Francis Thackham, in . vli.	Willelmus Vinge, in . vli.

[p. 182.] Quarter-daye, Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup> of February, 1631, et 7<sup>o</sup> Caroli.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, *egrotatus*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, *licentiatus*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, *licentiatus*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, *absens per licentiam*, Robert Dee, *absens*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

At this daye divers thinges were in question concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's busynes. Vide librum.

At this daye it was agreed that Nicholas Ashmore should have xs. geven him towards his care, &c.

<sup>1</sup> Reimld, MS.

\* Marked as absent.

5<sup>o</sup> [?] Martii, 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

It is informed that a strainger whose name is nott yet known hath layen in Readinge three or foure dayes and spent his time<sup>2</sup> from alehouse to alehouse without anie busines that was perceaved by his host or anie man ells, and takeing knowledge therof he was sent for and examined accordinge to the statute.

The confession of the same Stranger.

Saith his name is William Braborne, and dwelleth in Wicke, 4 myles on this side Rye in Kent, and there liveth by his trade of a tanner, and there hath dwelt by the space of xx yeares, and came from his dwelling on Saturday was senight, with a horse-load of leather, and sould his leather at Twitnam, and from thence to Faram to a smith to cure his horse; from thence to Winchester, for money oweing, and from Winchester to Reading uppon Thursday last, and there lodged at the Inne called the Crowne, and Gales and Robert Treherne, and the cause of his staye was to cure his horse, and perswasion of the hostes and Robert Treherne: noe companye.

Cognovit se debere domino Regi 40*li.* ad comparendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum . . .

[p. 183.] 5<sup>o</sup> die Martii, anno 1631. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

It is informed thatt there be twoe or three men suspected to be idle parsons lyinge att one Kenton's, an alehousekeeper, whoe havinge bestowed theree time idelleie nott appointed to anie busines as appeareth concerninge anie dealinge with anie man.

Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneshall, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye John Puckridge, apprentice to Humfrey Milles, mercer, complayned that his Master without any just cause hath put

<sup>2</sup> tyme, MS.

\* Marked as absent.

him away from his service, having served him 5 yeares and upwards, and althoughe he hath often tymes submitted himselfe to his Master, yet his Master denyeth to receave him into his service.

Nowe uppon the hearinge of the cause and differences betwixt them, yt was this day ordered, that the said Humfrye Milles, the Master, shall fourthwith receave and take his said apprentice into his service agayne to serve him as his apprentice duringe the residue of his apprenticeshood to come. Soe that Mr. Thomas Brackley, father-in-law to the said apprentice, doe become bound in a hundred poundes for the truth of the said apprentice for the rest of the tyme of the apprenticeshippe to come.

At this daye alsoe the difference betwixt Mr. Robert Dye and his apprentice was heard, and it apeareth that his apprentice had many waies abused his Master. The apprentice was ordered to the House of Correccion.

At this daye Mr. Danyell Blagrove promised to paye in the 100*li*. due for ij yerres' rentes of Southcott, viz<sup>t</sup>. one 50*li*. to Oliver Blagrove and the other for Good Fridaye, prout, etc.

At this daye alsoe William Winkles, felt maker, complayned of abuses offered to him by a servant of his, named Phillip Hunt. Vide le file.

[p. 183.] Wensdaye, [14?] Martii, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye Henry Ayres, a tapster at the Beare, beinge a stranger, havinge wief and 4 children, was . . . , entreated favour and required to geive securitie to discharge the Towne of his wiefe and children, against this daye senight : promised.

[p. 184.] Wensdaye, 21 Martii, 1631.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. John Saunders\*.

At this daye it was agreed that George Fawler, weaver, shall have 10*s*. towards the bynding of his sonne apprentice.

\* Marked as absent.

Wensdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Maiour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

Memorandum, to warne Christofer Kenton to appeare on Good Fridaye next, to shewe cause whie, &c.

At this daye election of the 3 poore Maides to cast the lottes upon Good Fridaye next, viz<sup>t</sup>,

In St. Mary parishe, Katherine Fisher, servant to Mr. Winche 11 yeres.

In St. Lawrence parishe, Jane Beneham, servant to Mr. Sanders 13 yeres.

In St. Giles' parishe, Mary Hunt, servant to widow Hersey, 8 yeres aprentice and 5 servant.

At this daye question was made, Whether the maide whiche came from Southcatte in the v<sup>th</sup> yeare, according to the will, shall come 3 yeares to the lott, prout, etc. Agreed that she shall not:

Mr. Bent .	.	} shall oversee the poore and strangers in
Mr. Dye .	.	
Mr. Harrison	.	} shall doe the like in St. Marye parishe.
Mr. Jacobb	.	
Mr. John Blake	.	} shall doe the like in St. Giles' parishe.
Richard Hersingdon	.	

Memorandum, to call in question Mathew Jackson for a stranger in his house against order.

[p. 185.] Good Fridaye, 30 Martii, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneshall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.



Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

The 3 Maides elected to cast lottes this daye for the xx nobles.

2 In St. Lawrence parishe, Joane Bernham had the lott.

2 In St. Marye parishe, Katherine Fisher.

1 In St. Giles' parishe, Marye Hunt.

Memorandum, this is the first yeare from the 5<sup>th</sup> for Southcott maid to come.

All thinges unheard at this daye are reserved untill Monday come fourtnight to be then determyned.

Thomas Gard, of Bagshotte, in the behaulfe of Elizabeth his wief, one of the daughters of Mathewe Colbarne, by Mary his wief, one of the sisters of Mr. John Blagrav, demandeth a legacye of 25*li.*, due to her by Mr. Blagrave's will.

At this daye the *iiijli.* of William Ligge's guift by the said Mayour and Burgesses was distributed accordinge to his will to *xxiiij* poore householders in this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 8 in St. Marye parishe	} 3 <i>s.</i> <i>iiijd.</i> a peice.
To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe	
To 8 in St. Giles' parishe	

At this daye alsoe the *iiijli.* of widowe Worsley's guift was distributed to *lx* poore widowes of this Corporacion, accordinge to her will, viz<sup>t</sup>,

To 25 in St. Giles' parishe	} <i>xijd.</i> a peice.
To 25 in St. Lawrence parishe	
To 10 in St. Marye parishe	

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blagrave paid the *xli.* in a newe leather purse, accordinge to his uncle Mr. John Blagrave's will, and it was then and there paid and distributed as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>,

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To Joane Bernam, the poore maidservant, by lott	<i>vj</i>	<i>xij</i>	<i>iiij</i>
To the Church-wardens of St. Lawrence's	.	<i>xxs.</i>	
To the Church-wardens of St. Mary	.	<i>xxs.</i>	
To the Church-wardens of St. Giles'	.	<i>vjs.</i>	
To the Preacher of St. Lawrence's Church	.	<i>xs.</i>	

To the Clarke and Sexten of St. Lawrence's . vjs. viij*d*.

To the Junior Church-warden of St. Lawrence's . iijs. iiij*d*.

Memorandum, Humfridus Mylles cognovit se debere domino Regi *xxli.*, ad comparendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, ad respondendum ad omnia que objicientur conc' appretic'. [Ad Sess. Pacis, *in margin.*]

Memorandum, Johannes Puckridge cognovit se debere domino Regi *xxli.* quod proseq' versus Hu[mfridum] ad proximam Sessionem, etc.

[p. 186.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> die Martii [Aprilis?], 1631, coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

The confession of Parnell Willyams, spinster.

Saith she last dwelt in Worcester, the daughter of George Willyams, that she went to gett service at London and in company with one John Forberye and his wief, using to sell small wares; and on Mondaye last she came into this Towne in the company of the said Forberye and his wief to one Easton's house.

And as touchinge the parcell of wooll she offered and sould to John Harrison, the clothier, in Syvier streete, in Readinge, saith she had the wooll of the said Forberye and his wief, and sould it for 17 groates, being 8*li.* and a haulf; and they had a brasse pott whiche she sould for 5*s.* 4*d.*, and a sheete which this Examinee sould for xvij*d.* and that one of the men in prison with her was fourth all Sondag night. [House of Correction and Vagrancy, *in margin.*]

The confession of John Greene, of Whitechappell streete, a mat-maker, ij yeares with his uncle, mat-maker.

Saith as he was cominge from London to goe into Ireland met with this maid and other young man in the cuntry Sondag last; and the other young man and another woman having a sheete rapt up with somethinge in it, whiche the maid sould. Sent to the House of Correcion for vagrancy.

The confession of John Barnes, a Duch-man.

Saith he came from Bristoll Fridaye last into this Towne without any companye, and on Saturdaye night he lodged at the house in Reding, called Easton's house, and there mett with the woman and

other man : whiche he never did see before : and he met with the woman at the end of the Towne. [Nullus accusator, *in margin.*]

William Easton's wief saith that on Friday night last all the 3 came to her house, and on Saturdaye they went awaye and came agayne to her house on Mondaye and then paid her 5*s.* 6*d.* for their dyett, which they ought her for their dyett, and on Mondaye brought each of them a rustye sword and a blacke cloke.

7 April. The said John Barnes the Duch-man, being demaunded where he had the blacke cloke he laid to pawne in the gaole, to paye 15*s.* he did owe to Walter van Breame, a prisoner, saith he bought the cloke of a broker in Bristowe, and saith he went with another Duch-man to the gaole, and there his cloke was taken in pawne to pay a Duch-man 15*s.*, whiche was demaunded of him by a prisoner there, but this Examinee denyeth that 15*s.*, but confesseth 5*s.*, yet contented to pay 7*s.* 6*d.* Committed to the House of Correction.

Mr. Thomas Gard for his wive's legacye of 25*li.* cannott be . . . [?] but intreateth he may have it, and to rest in my hande untill he come to geve acquittaunce.

Mr. Anthony Blagrove will come to the receipt of it from me [W. Wilmer].

p. 187. [Boroughe of Readinge in comitatu Berks, scilicet, *in margin.*]

At a Councell and meeting held for the said Boroughe on Wednesday, the vij<sup>th</sup> of Marche [April ?] 1631,

Before Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., then assisting.

#### Head Burgesses.

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this day John Puckridge, apprentice to Humfrey Milles, of Reading aforesaid, mercer, complayned that having served his Master five yeares and more within two yeares and lesse of the full time of his apprenticeshood, and his Master finding he intended to keepe a Mercer's shoppe in Reading when his tyme was out, hath sought and pretended occasions to put him away from his service thereby to debar him of his freedome. And thereuppon hath turned him from his service denyeing to receive him uppon any termes or to finde him another service in the Towne where to serve his yeares.

Uppon which complaint soe made the said Mayor and the said Hed Burgesses his brethren, called the said Puckridge and his said Master before them (having first given convenyent warning of the cause of their convencion) and they hearing at lardge the complaint of the said Puckridge and the reasons and allegacions of the said Master, according to their discretions and as the equitie of the case appearing before them required. First (after severe admonishment of the said Puckridge to the duties and faithfull service of an apprentice and amendment of what had beene amisse) did with one consent order that the said Humfrey Milles should fourthwith receive againe and take his said apprentice into his service to serve him as an apprentice during the residue of his apprenticeshood yet to come, with this care and caution, neverthesse on the behalfe of the said Humfrey Milles who, pretending the said Puckridge had delt deceitfully with him, that Mr. Thomas Brackley, father-in-law to the said apprentice, a verie honest and able man in estate, should become bound in the some of 100*li*. for the future truth and faithfull dealing of the said apprentice duringe the whole residue of his apprenticeshood yet to come. Accordinge to which order the said Puckridge tendered his service unto the said Humfrey Milles (protesting and voweing to become unto him a most faithfull servant, and the said Brackley tendered to seale unto a bond prepared as directed by the said order, but the said Humfrey wilfully refused and doth refuse either to accept of the said bond or of his said servant.

Berks, scilicet, Sessio Pacis domini Regis tenta apud Newbery in comitatu predicto die Martis, scilicet x<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis, anno Domini 1632.

Whereas the differences betweene Humfrey Mills of Reading, mercer, and John Puckridge his apprentice were heard and examined by Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, and John Saunders, Esq., two of his Majestie's Justices of the Peace of the said County, and by John Newman, Mayour of Reading, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour and Mr. William Kendricke, Head Burgesses of Reading aforesaid, and by them thereuppon ordered that uppon securitie of 100*li*. given by Mr. Thomas Brackley, the said Apprentice's father, the said Humfrey Mills should receive his said apprentice into his service during the residue of his apprenticeshood, which notwithstanding the said Humfrey did refuse to doe; Now it is ordered by the Court uppon hearing of both

parties that the said cause shalbe againe heard before the said Justices of Peace, Mayour and Head Burgesses and by them ordered as they shall find cause: and in the meane tyme the said Humfrey Mills to receive into his service and keeping the said Puckridge his apprentice untill further order be made; and if the said Humfrey Mills shall refuse to performe such order alreadie made, if the same shall not be altered, such other order as shalbe made, then he is to be bound to the good behaviour and <sup>s</sup> to appeare at the next Sessions.

[p. 188.] Mondaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1632, et viii<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Robert Bent, Thomas Harrison.

At this daye the Law-daye was holden for this Boroughe to deliver their verdict uppon Tuesdaye, the 20<sup>th</sup> [?] of August.

Thomas Hatton, juratus, primus.

William Whiche	} jurati.	Thomas Richardes	} jurati.
John Johnson		Samuell Bushell	
Richard Hollowaye		Christofer Goad	
Arthur Liford	} jurati.	Thomas Iremonger	} jurati.
Timothie Banister		Richard Bartholmew	
Richard Markham		Bartholmew Lake	
Richard East	} jurati.		
Richard Robinson			
William Goodale			

At this daye James Winchedid  
take his oath to doe the office of } juratus.  
one of the Constables of Reading

Thomas Hatton	.	.	} Affirers, jurati.
John Johnson	.	.	
Arthur Liford	.	.	
Richard Markham	.	.	



Agreed that xxv*l*. parcell of the 50*l*. in William Wilmer's handes shalbe fourth-with paid to Thomas Gard and his wife, one of the daughters of Mr. John Blagrove, sister to Mary Colbran, in full payment of a legacye due to her by Mr. John Blagraves [*sic*] his will : the petitioner's name, Elizabeth.

As touchinge Christofer Kenton's satisfaccion to Mr. Gunter of xx*l*., agreed to be paid by iiij*l*. a yeare, uppon request ; it shall stand as it doth untill the next quarter-daye, unlesse securitye be geven for payment of the xx*l*. to Mr. Gunter's likinge.

As touchinge Mr. Joseph Blagrove his legacye of 50*l*., beinge one of Mr. Alexander's sonnes, payable to the male children at 26 yeares of age ; agreed he shalbe paid his legacye when it shalbe due to him according to the will.

Mr. Danyell Blagrove promised to paye the 50*l*. due, according to the tyme lymitted by the lease.

At this daye by order of the Sessions, the xth of Aprill last past, Humfrey Milles and his apprentice John Puckridge did appeare before the said Mayour and Capitall Burgesses to have had their differences composed : but in regard Mr. Saunders was absent, the busynes could not be examined ; and so referd untill another meetinge, when Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders maye be present, at the hearinge of the differences, &c.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter.

At this daye Hugh Grantham was sworne to doe the office of one of the seallers of leather.

Fridaye, 20 Aprill, 1632. Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*.

At this daye the Overseers for the poore of eache parishe within the said Boroughe made their accomptes of all the money by them taxed, collected and disposed to charitable uses in the yeare nowe ended. The particulers whereof appeare in the booke of those accomptes and uppon the file of that booke.

[p. 189.] 2<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632, et 8 regni Caroli Anglie, etc. Wens-daye.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight.

## Informacion per

Richard Hancocke's wief and Elizabeth Wheler, a widowe, late dwelling at Ham, saye that Richard Bargent, a stranger in Readinge, was accused for sheep-stealling and ran awaye, and absented himself from his wief and children in the parishe of Kingston uppon Thames, about haulf a yeare past. His child was borne in Na. Black[noll's] house in St. Lawrence's parishe. Required to find sureties ; in the meane while to Ward.

iiij<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, *Majore*.

John Nashe, senior, super sacramentum suum, complayneth that in the highwaye as he was cominge from Henley on Thursdaye was senight, 26<sup>o</sup> April, one William Wimpey, of Reading, a wierdrawer, did assault, beate, wound and draw blood on him and put him in danger of his liefe. For whiche cause he prayeth security to goe in peace, and to have him bound over to aunswere, &c.

William Wimpey saith and confesseth that nere Shiplake Church, as they were cominge from Henley at a gulley in the highwaye, they rangled in wordes and did quarrell and beate one another with ther cudgells, &c.; and when Nash was in the ditche he went away and left him there.

William Wimpey, senior, cog-	} quod compareat ad proximam
novit se debere domino	
Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Johannes Wimpey } manucep'	
et } separa-	Sessionem Pacis ad respon-
Robertus Creed } tim sub	dendum ad omnia, etc. et quod
	interim teneat pacem versus
	Johannem Nashe, sen., etc.
	pena x <i>li</i> .

William Wimpey X, John Wimpye,  
Robert Creede. Relaxatur et cert'.

[p. 190.] Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632, anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. viij<sup>o</sup>. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Elizabeth Kinge, single woman, saith she was borne at Amptill in Bedfordsheere and there hath lived all her tyme as servant untill Nicholas Reynoldes betrayed her, and made her keepe him companye, whiche was about Michellmas last ; but she was not maryed to him. And a weeke before Easter she and he in his company came to



Reading and there in the house of one John Noble lodged 3 weekes before they were called in question.

Nicholas Reynoldes, called a gent', but of noe trade nor callinge : his father dwelleth at Norton in Hartfordsheere.

Nicholas Reynoldes saith he dwelleth at Amptill in Bedfordshire, an inholder, a yere and a half or thereabouts. He saith the said Elizabeth King is not his wief : he hath kept her company this last yere and more, and the cause of his cominge to this towne was to hide themselves untill, &c.

Memorandum, Nicholas Reynoldes promised to paye Clayton, of the Hospitall, fee iijs. iiij*d*.

Moore to John Noble for dyett and lodginge 36*s*.

1 Coiffe worth 16 <i>d</i> .	} wantinge.
1 falinge boad 3 <i>s</i> .	
bobbins.	

11<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632, et 8<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

Elizabeth Duffyn, spinster, complayneth that uppon yesterdaye, the x<sup>th</sup> of this Maye, Richard Lovejoy, servant to Hughe Larkham, carpenter, did without any cause beate, wound and evill intreat her, and put her in danger of her lief with a faggott sticke.

Alice Wheete, a wenche out of service, in her companye.

Richard Lovejoy saith that she did urge and abuse him that he did take a faggott sticke and did strike her.

Richard Toovey, witnesse.

Amye Duffen.

[p. 191.] 12<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, etc., <i>in margin</i> .]	} quod ipsa compareat	
Elizabeth Duffen, spinster, cognovit se		ad Sessionem Pacis
debere domino Regi x <i>li</i> .		proximam [post]
		festum Michaelis ad
Matheus Beale et	} manucep'. separa-	respondendum ad
Thomas Francklyn		tim sub pena x <i>li</i> .
	} etc.	quod interim se bene
		geret, etc.

℥, Ɔ, Mathew Beal'.

Ricardus Lovejoye pro se x*li*. . } quod ipse interim se  
 Edward Cooke, taylour, et } manucep' se- } bene geret, etc. versus  
 Thomas Archer } paratim, v*li*. } cunctum populum, etc.  
 Anna Lovejoy, vidua.

Ad Sessionem Pacis post festum Sancti Michaelis.

Hughe Larkham did forgeve Richard Lowegrove all that was  
 [done?]

R 1, Edward Cooke.

15<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Ma-*  
*jore*.

Elizabeth Marshall, jurata,	} that xjth of this Maye William Ga-
John Wirter, juratus, lost	
at playe ij or iij <i>s</i> . and	
yet oweth . . .	
William Nevill and Mr.	} . . . did sell lesse then a full
Hatton's sonne . . .	
	} quart of beere for a peny; taketh
	} beere of Mr. Harrison, calleth in
	} poore men to playe, keepeth cardes
	} and noddye board.

William Crumwall saith he is a husbandman, he came from Tilehurst, and hath lived in towne vj yeares, and in his house but a quarter of a yeare; and doth keepe alehouse without licence, and hath taken above iiij barrells of beere of Mr. Harrison at x*s*. a barrell. Forbidden to keepe alehouse. Confesseth he sould for ij*d*. a jugg; warrantum pro x*xs*. fiendum.

Robert Jackweys, a butcher, saith he dwelleth at Newtowne, and worketh as a journey-man with William Joynes, butcher, and lodgeth at Widowe Bennette's; his work cometh but nowe and then; and intendeth shortly to be gone; but uppon request stayeth to helpe his Master untill the hollidayes be past; and then promised to be gone.

William Raunce, a butcher, came from Kingston, a journeyman with Robert Jaques, and his father is nowe in towne, a poore man, and intendeth to be gone the next weeke, and himselfe at St. James' tide next.

4<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632.

Mr. Bent and Mr. Dye informe that William Rannet (?), an old poore man, a stranger, is yett in Towne, at one Poore's house in Broad strete, very like to be chargeable to the Towne.

[p. 192.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, knight.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, *tarde*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye a lease of the tenement, stable and garden at the old Yeldhall, late in lease to Francis Seickes deceased, was graunted to John Jenyns for 99 yeres (if his 3 lives live) payeing xxs. fine, 40s. rent, and performinge herriott and covenantes, prout, etc.

At this daye it was agreed that widowe Lessen shall have vs. a quarter towards her releife, duringe her lief, she beinge of good behaviour, &c., and it shall begyn to be paid the next quarter daye.

As touchinge Izaake Wracke's petition against Henry Molyns for draweing of beere, the petition exhibited by Molyns to the Lord Cheiffe Justice, and his reference, were openly read and agreed to be ordered accordingly, soe soone as, &c.

As toucheinge the fremen paynters' petition, it was read and agreed a reformation shalbe had therein, &c.

As toucheinge Abraham Hulbert's petition, it was read and considered on by all and agreed that xxs. shalbe paid him, soe as he fourthwith doe goe to London to be seene and his sore searched by the Chirurgeons and get certificate of cure or noe cure, &c.

Some question was had by Mr. William Maulthus concerning Whitley men's havinge gravell for the highwayes in his ground. The statute was sent by Sir Edward Clerke, and thought fitt they should paye him a halfe-peny a load for their gravell.

\* Marked as absent.

[p 193.] 1<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Sessio Pacis. Memorandum, quod Nicholas Reynoldes de Amptill in comitatu Bedd', yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi centum libras . . .	}	quod ipse compareat ad Sessionem Pacis proximam post festum Sancti Michaelis proximum ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret versus dominum Regem et cunctum populum.
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[Signed] Nicholas Reynoldes.

5<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

It is complayned that Michael Hamblen doth misuse his wief, putteth her awaye, denyeth to dwell with her or to allowe her any mayntenance, and saith he will not. Required to find sureties.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, <i>in margin.</i> ] <sup>5</sup> Memorandum, quod Michael Hamblen cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i> . . . Johannes Hamblen de, etc. et Willelmus Hamblen	}	manucep' pro ipso separatim sub pena <i>xli.</i>	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret versus Ciceliam uxorem.
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Postea, 6<sup>o</sup> Junii, promised to paye *vjli.* a week towards her mayntenance.

Wensdaye, *vj<sup>o</sup>* Junii, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blagrove made request to have the *50li.* due to him by Mr. John Blagrove's will, and it was agreed that he shalbe paid, he givinge acquittaunce and bond with suretie of repayment, if he shall dye before the day of his age of 26 yeares.

Agreed that John Myles, clothworker, shall have the burling place in the workinge house whiche David Teroll had.

<sup>5</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

And Symon Maynard to have the benefitt of the seale whiche David Terroll had.

[p. 194.] Tuesday, 12<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

At this daye the Counsell's lettres were agayne read concerninge the ungarded (?) vendinge<sup>6</sup> of tobacco, &c., and agreed that certificate of the names of the fittest men to sell tobacco in Readinge, viz<sup>t</sup>. the Apothecaries and Grocers keepinge shopps, and noe others, shalbe made to the Lordes of the Counsell, according as is required by their lettres.

13<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, Thoma Turnour, Nicholao Gunter, Rogero Knight.

At this daye Francis Thackham, one of the Serjeantes complained that one Luke Jenever, about 14 dayes past, hath abused him and geven reprochefull wordes against him, accusing him that he made attachementes of his owne authoritye without any order or entrance in the booke or Court.

Nicholas Blackman saith he heard Jenever call Francis Thackham knave and charged him with servinge 3 warrantes, and there was but ij<sup>o</sup>, and reviled him with other reprochfull wordes.

John Davis heard him revile Francis and doth testifie the same.

Alice Osborne saith the like wordes of . . . and that it was not in the booke, &c.

Katherine Fitts heard him saye that Francis hath served 3 attachmentes and there was but ij in the booke, and heard him revile him in wordes.

Richard Nottes heard him revile the said Francis in the streete from Mr. Mason's till the Counter, &c.

Thomas Ley, vitler, saith the attachmentes were agreed by the plaintiff and defendant, &c.

Required to find sureties to apeare at Sessions, at this daye senight.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>6</sup> ventinge, MS.

[p. 195.] Wensdaye, 20 Junii, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 27<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Maiour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye it was informed by Mr. Gunter that Richard Wheler and Jane his wief had entred uppon the void plott of ground where a butt standeth or stood nere the Almes-house in St. Giles' parishe, and hath pulled downe the but, house, walles, pales, postes and thatche; and did beate, hurt and throwe downe the widowe Jerome to her great hurt.

He the said Richard Wheler and Richard Dearinge are willed to appeare at Mr. Mayour's that night or the next morning.

Richard Bargent is willed to depart the Towne, as he is bound.

At this daye Robert Creed, Thomas Higden, John Paise, John Cole, bakers, complayne that one Humfrey Hues, a forreynour, useth the trade of a baker within this Boroughe, contrary to the orders of this Boroughe.

4<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

Alice Stevens, spinster, late servant to Richard Breddes, complayneth and upon her oath saith, that she is quicke with childe begotten by one Richard Savage, a sheregrinder, apprentice to Charles Glasse, . . . about 16 weekes last past, betwene 8 and 11 a clocke in the night; one Keele and the said Richard Savage beinge at Coplyn's house made her drunke and . . . the said Richard Savage had carnall knowledge of her body, . . . by reason whereof she is with childe.

Richard Savage denyeth the busynes and saith he never was in companye with her. Comitted to Warde untill he finde sureties.

\* Marked as absent.



Ad Sessionem Pacis. Ricardus Sa-	} quod predictus Ricardus
vage cognovit se debere domino	
Regi <i>xxli.</i>	
Carolus Glasse, } manucep'. separa-	
sheregrinder, } tim pro predicto	} comparabit ad proxima-
et } Ricardo separa-	
Simon Cane, bere- } tim sub pena	
brewer } <i>xli.</i>	

Charels Glasse, Simon **3** Cane, Richard **A** Savage.

[p. 196.] 12<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam post festum Sancti Michaelis, *in margin.*]

Henricus Rowse, nuper serviens Fraun-	} quod ipse compareat,
cisco Knollis, Militi, <i>xxli.</i>	
Ricardus Paine de Readinge, wheele-	
wright, in <i>xli.</i> et	
Ricardus Barnes de Reading, cloth-	} Pacis ad responden-
worker, in <i>xli.</i>	

Henry **Q** Rowse, his marke.

Ricardus **P** Paine, his marke. Richard Barnes.

Querens non vult prosequari.

Mondaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, *licenciatus, absens quia egrotus*, Robert Bent\*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, *tarde*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, *tarde*.

Robert Hatt, borne in this Towne, livinge in the Ilande called the Barmoodes, *alias* the Sommer Ilandes, made request to have some poore children with him into those Ilandes, havinge 5 or 6*li.*

\* Marked as absent.



a peice, to paye their passage and to apparell them, they shall never be more chargeable to their parentes but well advaunced.

What then was done concerninge Mr. Kendricke's accomptes, vide librum illum.

16<sup>o</sup> Julii. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

John Hartridge, a wanderer, saith he dwelleth at Elams, in Kent, laborer, and saith he came from the new found well on Saturday last; was taken begginge in Reading and there did abuse himself and did offer to strike one of the Magistrates. Comitted to the House of Correction, and there to be whipt.

Eodem die. Coram eodem *Majore*.

Elizabeth Fludd, the wief of John Fludd, of Westminster, a harper<sup>7</sup>, saith she was borne there, and there marryed her husband 6 yeares past, and her husband and she came to this Towne about fortnight last past, and the cause of there cominge hither was to fetch a child of hers at Newbery; and yesterdaye was senight her husband went to Oxford to gett some money that was due to him there, and came not backe agayne since to her, and being demaunded the cause why, she abused the watchmen.

[p. 197.] Mondaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1632, ac 8 regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, *egrotus*, Mr. William Kendricke.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that in recompence of the wrong he did to the Towne in takinge downe a small buyldinge he shall paye 5s. at Bartholmew daye next, and 5s. at Michaellmas next. [xs. al Coffer' *in margin*.]

<sup>7</sup> yeoman, and servingman, crossed through here.

\* Marked as absent.

What at this daye was agreed concerninge Mr. Kendricke's busyness, vide librum illum, etc.

23 Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*,  
et Edwardo Clerke, Milite.

The confession of Henry Rowse.

Henry Rowse confesseth that he did dwell hault a yeare or more with Sir Francis Knollis in the Abbey, &c. and did and doth very well knowe Mistris Moore's chamber in the Abbye, for she had oftentimes sent him thither. And that uppon Tuesdaye was senight he was in worke at Whitley Parke and aboute 4 or 5 of the clocke Mistris [?] Moore came from Whitly Parke to the Abbey to speake with the loder to the myll for 18*d*. he did owe to this Examine, and made the pond-house in his waye, and there meetinge with Richard Sone, whoe offered this Examine a pot of bere, this Examine did not stay to take it, but said at his cominge backe he would drinke with him, and from him went to the myll where his busynes was with the loder; and after he had spoken with him and had noe money of him, then this Examine and the loder went both togither to the hay house and there this Examine parted from the loder, and went himself towards the Abbye house, and confesseth that when he came against the dore that leadeth to Mistris Moore's chamber he looked in to see if the garden doore was open, but there beinge a hedge betwixt him and the doore, he could not see the dore and went out agayne by the great gate into the Forberye, and soe homewardest by John Ellys, and drunke at . . . ardryes . . . And beinge demanded whye he did not returne the waye he came, by the gardyner, accordinge to his promise, the said waye beinge the nearest waye, saith the reason was he had noe money to dr . . . , and saith also he came from the Parke about 4 or 5 of the clocke in the afternoone and came not home to his father's house untill about vj or 7 of the clocke. And further saith that his right foote sho . . . was measured and did agree in length and breadth with a prynt of dust and gravell left in and upon a chaire stand[inge] in Mistris Moore's chamber to helpe to reache to the shelve where the Bre[ . . . ]<sup>a</sup>. [Pro le3 Assises, and Querens non vult prosecuari, *in the margin.*]

<sup>a</sup> End of page.

[p. 198.] Assises. Eodem die.

Memorandum quod Henricus Rowse cognovit	} quod ipse comparat ad proximas Assisas ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Ricardus Payne et Ricardus Barnes } manucep'. separatim sub	
pena x <i>li</i> .	
Thomas Rowse, senior, clothworker, x <i>li</i> .	

Henry Rowse [*his mark*], R,

Richard Barnes, Thomas Rowse.

Memorandum, to have the informations from Mistris Moore against the Assisses.

23 Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Sessio Pacis. Humfrey Garland complayneth that William Keele, a sheregrinder, hath striken him and doth threaten to kill him; hath taken oath, &c. and prayeth securitye of the peace against him.

Memorandum, Willelmus	} quod comparabit ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia, etc. et quod interim se teneat pacem versus cunctum populum et precipue versus Humfridum Garland, etc.
Keele cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Carolus Glasse de, etc. et	
Jacobus Bate, clothworker, manucep'. separatim sub	
pena per se x <i>li</i> .	

Willelmus Keele [*his mark*],

James Bate, Charels Glasse.

[Eodem die. Ad Sessionem Pacis, *in margin.*] Richard Wheler complayneth that John Jerome [*blank*] Julij hath striken him in St. Giles' Churcheyarde, and doth threaten to kill him and hath taken his corporall oath that he feareth him, &c.


27<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

The confession of William Gibbes, *alias* Butcher.

Saith he lived at Ratcliffe nere London 4 yeres last past by helpinge butchers and others to fetch and carry wares, and now on Tuesday last at his father's house in Earley nere Lodden

Bridge. Being demanded the cause of his being in Readinge saith he had byn at Caversham and soe came into Rading and mett with one Mylam and others at one Hall's house and there did drinke and lodge. Required to find sureties for his behaviour. [Non prosecutus, *in margin.*]

1<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632. William Gibbes the father hath geven his word that his sonne shalbe fourth cominge at any tyme untill Michaelmas next, to aunswere, etc. Testes, Edward Bagley, Constable,

Francis Thackham, William Willmer,  
William Gibbes  his marke.

[p. 199.] 26 Julii, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Elizabeth Townesend, *alias* Skott, the wief of John Skott, late of the towne and county of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, chapman, complayneth that about ten yeares past she was maryed to him in St. Andrewe's Church in Newcastle, and hath byn from her 7 yeares past and hath taken another woman and keepeth company with that other woman, named Margaret Payn, and denyeth to live with this said lawfull wief; she hath byn seekinge after her said husband a yeare at Midsomer last. Comitted to the House of Correccion.

#### The confession of John Scott.

Who saith that he did marrye the said Elizabeth at Newcastle and lived there and at Manchester two yeares or thereaboutes and had one childe by her, whiche yet liveth, and by reason of her lewdnes and the bad lief he had with her and her freindes, he did forsake her, and hath ever synce endeavored to get his livinge by travelling with small wares from markett to markett and faire to fayre, and about 3 or 4 yeares hath lived in and about Uxbridge in Middlesex, useth to keepe fayres and markettes in good and honest sorte, and hath taken the same childe from her a yeare past, and doth provide for and keepe the childe at his owne chardges. Comitted to Counter untill he fynd suretie[s].

Memorandum, predictus Johannes Skott cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem [Pacis] et quod interim se bene geret, etc.



## The confession of John Bailey.

Saith he dwelleth in Dutton in the parishe of Ribchester, in Lincolnshire, and there liveth by the meanes of a chapman, and about a yeare past came from thence and ever synce hath lived by carryeinge small wares from fair[e] to fayre and markett to markett : and saith that the said Skotte's wief hath byn in this Examine's wive's company a yeare or thereaboutes, seekinge after her husband, and havinge found him they did not agree, and soe came to this Towne to the faire in their companye. Comitted to Counter to find sureties. A wief great with childe and ij other small children.

Eodem die. Walter Bell, a curryer, complayneth that John Browne, shoemaker, hath beaten and wounded him and put him in danger of his lief, in his Master's workeshopp. Edward Haukes [?], a curryer, did see Browne's children tread upon the leather in the curryer's charge, and did heare John Browne geve Walter Bell very ill wordes for entreating him to will his children to forbear. Alice, Roger Hayes' wief, did see John Browne fling the bottome of a buckett at Walter Bell and did hitt him, and another board called the grayninge board and hitt him in the forehead and broke his head.

p. 200.] Mondaye, 30 Julii, 1632, ac viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight [*absent*], Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

George Thorne, Anthony Brackston.

At this daye the undertakers brought in their severall accomptes, prout, etc.

1<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Newberye, of Sulhampsted Abbott, complayneth, that Thomas Higden of Readinge, baker, hath misused and beaten his apprentice, (viz<sup>t</sup>., broke his head,) Thomas Newberye, and caused him to run awaye : and denyeth to receave him into his service agayne.

Thomas Higden saith the boy did misuse his dame, by kickinge her, &c., and very stubborne, &c.

Perswaded to receave him agayne and to forgeve all that is past, &c.

Memorandum, the Awditt is to be holden at Maidenhead the xviiijth daye of October next, viz<sup>t</sup>. 1632. Edmund Sawyer, auditor.

[p. 201.] 4 Augusti, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso *Majore*.

John Heath of Sheefeild uppon Lodden in com. Southampton, husbandman, enformeth that uppon Sondaye was senight in the night he lost one mare, colour grey, out of his ground at Launce Levell, and made searche for her in all the cuntrye, and could not here of her till nowe, in Readinge markett, by chaunce goeing in the strete, and there this Complainant found the same mare in the possession of John Gibbes of Earley, &c. [Assises, *in margin*.]

Memorandum quod Johannes Heath cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. quod ipse compareat ad proximas Assisas tenendas in comitatu Berkes ad prosequendum versus Johannem Gibbes, prout, etc. [Prosecutus fuit ad Assises, *in margin*.]

[John Heath's mark] |—|—|

Eodem die. The confession of John Gibbes.

Saith he bought the said grey mare at Banburye faire upon Lammas daye of [blank] of [blank], and paid for her iij*li*. xjs. and 10*d*., and did tole for her in the tolebooke there in open markett.

Memorandum, Johannes Gibbes cognovit se	{ quod ipse com- pareat ad proxi- mas Assisas ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
debere domino Regi xlii.	
Johannes Symons de Earley, manucep'. pro	
yeoman, et	
Willelmus Dawes de Earley,	{ predicto Johanne Gibbes separa- tim in xx <i>li</i> .
yeoman,	

I O, John Symons, Willame Dawes.

8<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*.

[3 Testes, *in margin*.] Thomas Haskerd of Sheefeild uppon Lodden, husbandman, super sacramentum suum, saith that he doth knowe that the same grey mare whiche he hath claymed and seised in Readinge was the goodes of the said John Heath, within xx dayes last past, for he did sell the same mare, a colt, to John Heath.

John Trymmer, of Sheefeild uppon Lodden, husbandman, super sacramentum suum, saith that he doth knowe that the same grey mare is the proper goodes of the said John Heath, and to his know-

ledge John Heath hath had her and kept her theise two yeares last, untill Sondaye was fortnight.

John Gibbes saith uppon his oath that uppon the first daye of this August (being Lammas daye), he bought the same grey mare in Banburye faire of Thomas Webb, jun., of Beddicott, in com. Oxon., yeoman, and paid for her 3*li.* 11*s.* 10*d.*, and paid tolle for her.

[p. 202.] Mondaye, 13 Augusti, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., octavo.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. William Kendricke.

Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*.

At this daye there was consideracion had for the better employment of the comon stocke, vide librum.

Postea 15<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

Fridaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

Richard Winche, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys<sup>o</sup>, Richard Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Thomas Thackham.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>o</sup> The MS. mutilated here.



[p. 203.] Saturday, the xvij<sup>th</sup> of August, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus †, Mr. William Malthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. William Kendricke †.

John Saunders, Esq. †, Richard Winche \* †, Robert Bent, William Brackston †, John Dewell \* †, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys \* †, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison †, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham †.

Thomas Skynner, serjeant : yea IIIIIII [7], noe II [2].

Postea, juratus in plena Curia, 22 Augusti.

[on p. 202.] 19<sup>o</sup> Augusti.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

John White's wief said and affirmed that if the boyes be whipt it shalbe a deere whippinge to Mistris Carter.

At this daye Edward Bagley, one of the Constables havinge [*sic*].

[p. 203 cont<sup>d</sup>.] Tuesdaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632.

Their appearance is entred on the right hand of their names. [Those absent are marked with a †.]

William Gandye paid in 600*li*. and od money in parte, etc.

27 Augusti, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Johanna Carter, uxor Samuelis Carter, generosi, quer', etc. that yesterdaye being Sondaye and 2 other last Sabaoth dayes, her garden nere the Forberye was robbed in the forenoones ; flowers yesterdaye, the other ij dayes flowers and rootes with them, and the first daye onely flowers. She suspecteth Thomas Richardson's sonne and apprentice.

Causes of suspicion. William Vindge's sonne bought a nosegaye of the said Richardson's for a farthinge of her flowers ; John Porter,

\* Marked as absent on 18 Aug.

† Marked as absent on 21 Aug. Those who appeared on Aug. 27 were The Mayor, Messrs. T. Turnor, Gunter, C. Turnour, Thorne, Brackston, Burren, Dye, and Jacobb.

jun., the barbour, bought another; John Wheate (paid *quad.*<sup>1</sup>) of a boy of Daniell Glasse, the shoemaker, videbatur yesterday about x of the clocke; Ley the wever; Mr. Dye's boy bought another posey. [Finit per execucionem, flagissus, etc. *and* Prosecutus fuit *in the margin.*]

John Wheate, apprentice to Thomas Richardson. Being examined saith he was in the garden by the Vasterne yesterdaye in the morninge, and there had many flowers, and in his company, Christofer Goad, nothing but flowers. Dicke Porter did help him over, and Nethercotte's boye.

The Cardmaker's boy the other Sabath daye was there and sold flowers for halfe penne a peice. [Satisfaccion was denyed by the Father and Master, *in margin.*]

Charles Nethercott denyeth nott.

James Venter saith he did see the hawke and Nethercott did cast stones at the hawke.

John Whete saith James Venter was there on Sunday was senight, and Charles Nethercott, and did pick the locke and neabe the stocke. Comitted to Counter untill, and then to be whipt unlesse. Comitted to both the Constables to be whipt, and a rodd provided to whipp them in the Hall.

[p. 204.] Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerk, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye it was informed by Mrs. Carter, that John White's wief did saye in the Walke and hearinge of many people, that if the boyes were whipt, it should be a deere whippinge to Mistris Carter.

Alice Maye, uxor Simonis Maye, Jane Milksoppe [and] Agnes Mace, doe all affirme they heard John White's wief saye, if the boyes were whipt, it would be a deere whipping, but to whome they could not speake.

At this daye Edward Bagley, one of the Constables, havinge spoken wordes, viz<sup>t</sup>, if those two boyes were whipt, viz<sup>t</sup>, &c. they

<sup>1</sup> = a farthing.

\* Marked as absent.

had wronge, had byn bound to his good behaviour, but uppon his submission was discharged before the Benche.

Roger Bullifant, an edge-toole-maker, was warned to be gone out of this Towne, with his wief and childe, to dwell ellswhere with his wief and child within fortnight.

John Butler, the smith, hath enterteyned the said Roger Bullifant 16 or 17 weekes against the orders of the Towne, for whiche he hath forfeited *v*l*i.* and *x*s. a weeke.

The Bakers agayne complayne against Humfrey Hewse for usinge the trade of a baker in this Towne (beinge not a freman) but a stranger. Referd to be heard on Wensdaye next; and then to the next Quarter-daye.

[p. 205.] Elleccion-daie. Saturday, j<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayor*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, senecallus.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire, Richard Winch, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, *absens*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, *absens*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this day the said Mayour and Capitall Burgesses by direccions of their charter did nominate and appoint 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion, to the intent and purpose that one of these 3 by the said Mayour and residue of the said Burgesses shalbe elected Mayor for the next yeare as by their chartre is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

#### Mayour Elect.

1. Mr. William Kendricke *IIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIIII* [18].
2. Mr. Robert Maulthus.
3. Mr. William Maulthus.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye John Wylder made composition for the ground he hath encroched vs. fine, and vs. rent per annum ; his encrochment is 7 foote and a halfe of newe ground, besides the old encrochment.

Agreed that Mr. Thomas Gibbysns shalbe allowed a freman to be a maultman onely, he payeinge *vii*. for his fine or ells not ; postea allocabatur ad *4*l.

Humfrey Hewse, a baker, paid *3*l. and was admitted a freman baker in the Town.

Fridaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, Mr. William Kendricke, *elect*\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger.

[No business recorded for this day.]

p. 208. [Boroughe of Readinge, *in margin*.] Mondaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Scenescallus.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Willyam Kendricke, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, *egrotus*\*, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, *absens*, Mr. William Iremonger.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtyce, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mr. William Kendricke, the newe elected Mayour, by direccions of the Chartre, in the presence of his predecessor Mayour and the other Burgesses, did take the

1. Oath of Supremacye.
2. Oath of Mayour and Justice of Peac.
3. Oath of ~~Clerke~~ of the Markett.

~~absent~~.

20 September, 1632. Coram Johanne Newman, generoso,  
*Majore.*

Assises. Johannes Atkyns cognovit se	} quod ipse compareat ad	
debere domino Regi 40 <i>li.</i> .		proximas Assisas et
Nicholas Noble, de,		quod ipse interim te-
etc. et		neat pacem versus
Henricus Haskerd,	} manucep'. separa-	Franciscum Long et
de, etc.		tim pro ipso
	in xx <i>li.</i>	mini Regis, etc.

John  $\lambda$  Atkyns, Nicholas Nobell, Henry Haskard.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam post festum Epiphanie, *in margin.*] Memorandum quod Ricardus Savage cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li.*

Carolus Glasse, etc. et	} x <i>li.</i>
Simo Cane, manucep'. pro ipso separatim sub pena	
xx <i>li.</i> per se	

R, Charles Glasse, 2.

[p. 207.] Quarter-daye, Mondaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1632, et 8<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour.* Mr. William Kendricke, *elect.*  
Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus,  
Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour,  
Mr. William Iremonger.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, Richard Winche, Robert Bent \*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Robert Stevens agreed to paye for the ground he hath inroched by buyldinge in the Bucher Rewe, and to have a lease thereof, for the terme of his lease from Mr. John Blagrav, xs. fine and xs. rent, from Lady daye last, whiche the Mayour and Burgesses certyfyed of, orderyd and agreed unto accordingly.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye John Wylder made composicion for the ground he hath encroched vs. fine, and vs. rent per annum ; his encrochment is 7 foote and a halfe of newe ground, besides the old encrochment.

Agreed that Mr. Thomas Gibbyns shalbe allowed a freman to be a maultman onely, he payeinge *vli.* for his fine or ells not ; postea allocabatur ad *4li.*

Humfrey Hewse, a baker, paid *3li.* and was admitted a freman baker in the Town.

Fridaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1632.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, Mr. William Kendricke, *elect*\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger.

[No business recorded for this day.]

p. 208. [Boroughe of Readinge, *in margin.*] Mondaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Scenescallus.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Willyam Kendricke, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, *egrotus*\*, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, *absens*, Mr. William Iremonger.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtyce, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mr. William Kendricke, the newe elected Mayour, by direccions of the Chartre, in the presence of his predecessor Mayour and the other Burgesses, did take the

1. Oath of Supremacye.
2. Oath of Mayour and Justice of Peac.
3. Oath of Clarke of the Markett.

\* Marked as absent.

And the said Mayour by and with consent of his Brethren did then name and apoynt Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Richard Burren	}	Cofferers, jurati.
John Jeninges		
Edward Johnson	}	Constables, jurati.
Thomas Symes		
John Beale	}	gardiani in High Ward, jurati.
John Browne		
Richard Birche	}	gardiani in Minster [Ward], jurati.
William Winkles		
William Oades	}	gardiani in London Ward, jurati.
Joseph Stockwell		
Frauncis Knight	}	gardiani, Newe Ward, jurati.
John Walker		
Edward Whitton	}	gardiani, Old Ward, jurati.
William Belchamber		

At this daye and tyme the said Mayour openlye in the Towne Hall made his accomptes of all the rentes, stockes and somes of money and other guiftes to charitable uses whiche came to his handes or charge in the yeare he was Mayor, as by the particulers thereof maye appeare.

At this daye, agreed that the auncient and puisne Secondarye Burgesses shall yearly serve and be of the Grande Jurye for Michaellmas law-daye in every yeare untill they meete, and then to begin agayne and soe yearly to proceed, prout, etc.

Memorandum. Whereas Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders have offred 40s. a peice towards the raylinge of Portman-Brooke bridge, it was this day agreed that their money shalbe taken, and the Cofferers comaunded to goe forward with the raylinge and amending the Bridge fourth-with, prout, etc.

[p. 209.] Wednesday, the 3 of October, 1632, et 8 Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.



It is thought fitt at this meeting that some course be taken aswell for the enlarging as confirming of the Charter of this Burrough and Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders shalbe imployed this next terme to take into consideracion in what poyntes it were fitt the Charter to be enlarged for the government of the Towne, wherein they are intreated to conferre with the Stewardes of other Incorporate Townes concerning their liberties and priviledges, and are promised to be assisted with some instruccions from this Company to that purpose.

At this day the Law-daye was holden for this Burrough.

Nomina Juratorum.

Mr. Johannes Blake, jurator primus.

Mr. William Jacobb	John Evans
Robert Jones	Walter Fellow
Richard Swayne	William Horne
Francis Tirroll	John Webb
Stephen Lawrence	Thomas Brockett
James Winche	James Arnold
Richard George	Giles Archer
Peter Thorne	Edward Knight
Richard Alright	Henry Fruin

Mr. John Blake	} affirmant, ad tertium Wednesday in Lent next.
Mr. William Jacobb	
James Winch	
Robert Jones	
William Turnour, senior	} searchers of Cloth.
George Thorne, junior	

[p. 210.] Fridaye, 5 Octobris, 1632, ac viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Dye \*, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye it was agreed in regard that Jone Jenever, the daughter of Luke Jenever, had done her father and mother good service 7 yeares by the testimoney of good and honest neighbours, and by a certificate from the Minister, she shall have 40s., parcell of Mr. Kendricke's guift to poore maides, paid by the newe Cofferer. Past by voices.

Willyam Turnour, senior } apoynted to be Overseers for the true  
George Thorne, junior } making and workinge of broadcloth  
in this Towne.

Jurati 9<sup>o</sup> Octobris coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, et Johanne Saunders, armigero, ad exercendum officium secundum formam statuti.

Postea George Thorne cognovit se debere 40*li*.

As toucheinge the renueinge of the Chartre, the Company present doe with one consent agree that the Chartre shalbe renewed fourth-with, according to the project uppon Law-daye last. And that another meetinge for this busynes of the Chartre shalbe on Mondaye come senight to receave every man's conceipt what is and wilbe fitt to be amended and enlarged in the Chartre. And howe moneys shalbe raised to beare the charges thereof.

Memorandum, to warne Willyam Gandye to bringe in his money on Mondaye next.

William Parr and Edward Slarke to bringe in their accomptes on Mondaye next.

Mr. Gibbyns to be warned.

Mr. James Winche, of Grenham } are well liked on to be  
John Robertes, of Cookham } sureties for James Winche  
Thomas Grave, of White Waltham } for the 1200*li*. whiche he  
shall have of the stocke, &c.

[p. 211.] Mondaye, the viij of October, 1632, ac viij regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. John Saunders \*, Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent \*, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne \*, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys \*, Richard Burren, John Jenynges \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Buringham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye there was noe busynes question but only the comon stocke, for whiche vide librum.

9<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1632. Th'accomptes of the Amerciamentes of the two Law-dayes and Clarke of the Markett for the yeare in whiche Mr. Newman was Mayour.

Received of Francis Thackham in parte for amerciamentes of both Law-dayes	}	iiij <i>li.</i>	xx <i>s.</i>	
Received more of him for amerciamentes for hogges				
Received more of him for amerciamentes growen due for defaultes in the Clarke of the Markette's court for all the yeare	}	iiij <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	viij <i>d.</i>
Received		viij <i>li.</i>	xix <i>s.</i>	viij <i>d.</i>
Whereof paid the ij Aletasters			xx <i>s.</i>	
Item paid the iiij hogherdes			viijs.	
Item paid at Henry Salmon's			xxxjs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
Item paid in expences in colleccion			xs.	
Item allowed Francis Thackham			xs.	
Item more to the Sergeantes			vijs.	vij <i>d.</i>
More amerciamentes to collect		4	6	10
Paid to Arther Curtis		iiij <i>li.</i>	ijs.	

Eodem die. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

Edward Stakes, a wandring chapman, accused for vagrancy ; Giles Asten, a wandring chapman ; both sent to the House of Correccion : vide le file.

12<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

\* Willyam Dye made affidavit that William Porter, sonne of John Porter, hath beaten him, and doth threaten to doe him further harme, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

\* From here to end of page 211 is crossed through.

Willyam Porter	cognovit se	} quod ipse compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad responden- dum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret versus cunctum populum et precipue versus Willelmum Dye.
	debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Johannes Dewell	} manucep'. separatim sub pena v <i>li</i> . per se	
et Johannes Porter		

Signum dicti Willelmi Porter X, William Dee.

[Ad Sessiones Pacis, *in margin*.]

[p. 212.] Mondaye, 15 October, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., viij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, *absens*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys \*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

4*li*. At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Gibbyns shall pay for his allowance to use maltinge in the Towne iiij*li*.

Agreed that the Cofferer shall paye to Anne Collier, James Greene his late maid-servant 7 yeares, 40*s*., parte of the guift of Mr. Kendricke.

At this daye it was agayne agreed that the Chartre shalbe confirmed and enlarged in such thinges as this Companye shall thinke fitt.

And agreed alsoe that every Burgesse shall lend a proporcionable some of money to beare the chardges of the confirmacion and enlargeinge the Chartre as aforesaid when it shalbe required, &c.

And whereas by the Chartre there be but ix Capitall Burgesses, amongst which the office of the Mayour is yerely borne.

1. It is nowe desired that by their Chartre there may be xij Capitall Burgesses, and xij or more Secondarye Burgesses.

2. And to be inhabled to holde a Quarter Sessions yerely in the Towne.

\* Marked as absent.

3. To have j or more Justice of the Peace of the Capitall Bur-  
gesses, and the Mayour to be of the quorum.

4<sup>3</sup>. To have by Chartre the assessinge of the Subsidies and of  
the armes and trayned band within the Boroughe.

5. The Court to hold accion and plea to xx*li*.

6. Licence to purchase landes in mortmain to the value of 200*li*.  
per annum.

(7<sup>3</sup>. A Court of Conscience to heare and end all causes and  
accions under xs. arising within the Borough by vj Comissioners  
or all the Magistrates.)

8. The liberties of the Chartre to extend to the wholle parishes  
for the taxes of the poore.

Non all . . . . per majorem partem.

23<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso,  
*Majore*.

[Sessio Pacis, <i>in margin.</i> ] Thomas	} quod predictus Thomas Ley, junior, compareat ad proxi- mam generalem Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum omnibus hiis que sibi obji- ciuntur et interim se bene geret, etc.
Ley, junior, cognovit se debere	
domino Regi x <i>li</i> .	
Thomas Ley, senior, et } separatim	
Henricus Patie, junior } v <i>li</i> .	

Signum dicti Thome ✕ Ley, junioris;

Signum dicti Thome T Ley, senioris; Henri Pati.

[p. 213.] Wensdaye, 24 Octobris, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli  
Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr.  
Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*,  
Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger,  
Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. John Newman brought in the Quietus for the  
yeare he was Mayour, and the other for the last yeare which he had  
delivered him to shewe to the Auditor at Maydenhead.

At this daye it was agreed that lettres shalbe addrest to Sir  
Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders concerninge the confirminge and  
inlargeinge the Chartre, prout, etc.

<sup>3</sup> The 4th and 7th entries are crossed through.

\* Marked as absent.



[xxs. soluti Majori per Ricardum Hollowaye et Johannem Mabberley primo tempore, *in margin.*]

Whereas Edward Richardson hath by his last will and testament geven xxs. a yeare towards the mayntenance of the weekly Lecturer ; nowe at this daye it was agreed that to increase the weekly allowaunce of the Lecturer vjd. a weeke, that the Cofferer shall paye xviiijd. a quarter to the Collectour thereof.

Mondaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1632, an[n]oque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., octavo.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

Agreed to geve Henry Poole to helpe him to pay the surgion and to rest, xs.

Sir Edward Clerke's lettre was openly read, but not then agreed to be answered, &c.

The rest of the busynes concerned the workmen in the House, &c. Vide li[brum].

Wensdaye, 7 Novembris, 1632.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye all the procedinges concerninge the confirminge and inlargeinge the Towne Chartre, the poyntes and Sir Edward Clerke's and Mr. Saunders' lettres were read: and it is thought fitt and agreed that, unlesse the Court of Equitye to [*sic*] heare and end all causes arisinge within the Boroughe not excedinge vs., the Court for accions shall not be enlarged, and the power of assessinge and charging subsidies and armours and trayned band

\* Marked as absent.

of the Towne to be in the power of the Governement, otherwise they will stand as they doe, untill, &c.

[p. 214.] 7<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

Complaint is made by John Baker that his daughter, Jone Baker, is begotten with childe by Robert Jones, the feltmaker. [Ad Sessionem Pacis, *in margin*.]

Robertus Jones cognovit se debere domino Regi xli.	.	.	} quod predictus Robertus Jones compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc objiciuntur, et quod interim se bene geret, etc.	
Johannes Browne, senior, et	} manucep'. se-	} paratim pro		
Jacobus Smith,				} ipso sub
<i>alias</i> Chieffe				
			Signum dicti Roberti Jones, R.	
			Signum dicti Johannis Browne, XX.	
			Signum dicti Jacobi Chieffe <i>M</i> .	

8 Novembris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

The confession of Sissey Hamblen, the wief of Michael Hamblen, of Readinge.

Saith uppon her oath that old Mistris Hamblen upon Tuesday morning last came to this Examine's husband's house and asked this Examine for her husbände, who answered that hee was gone to Heworth aboute 3 of the clocke in the morning; then the said old Mrs. Hambleton said that if this Examine's husband were att home to ride with her daughter Bagley, to fetch home the bride, hee should bee well paid for his paine; for her grandchild Bagley had married one worth foure thousand poundes.

Then shee caused this Examine to send for Williom Hambleton, one of her sonnes, who went with her said daughter Bagley; afterward the said Examine went to Richard Bagleyes house, where she found Mrs. Burrowes, who told her that she praid to God that that busines did not undoe her and her mother and the said Mrs. Burrowes; the said Mrs. Burrowes answered this Examine, take noe care Sisse for I shall not want.

S. H.



[p. 215.] The confession of Jone Hambleton, the wife of John Hambleton, of Reading, upon oath.

Saith that upon Tuesday night last Mrs. Burrowes was att her husband's house untill tenn of the clock att night, this Examinee asked the said Mrs. Burrowes whether yong Richard Bagley were married to the gentle-woman, who answered, shee hoped they were, and when the Constable came to this Examinee's house she putt out the light and stoud up upon a bedd because they would not bee hard. X.

The confession of Margaret Moulsey, servant to Richard Bagley, of Reading, upon oath.

Saith that her Mistris and Mrs. Burrowes came home on Fryday night last and brought three gentlewomen with them from Windsor; and that one of the said gentlewomen was carried awaye by her Master's sonn on Munday morning last, about one of the clock, and one Jeames Hambleton and her Master's daughter rode along with them. S.

[p. 216.] xj<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

The confession of Cicelye Addams, *alias* Chapman, spinster, late of Bartley, nere Froome Selwood in the county of Somersett.

Saith that about vj or viij weekes last past she came in company of Augustine Chapman, then living at Bartley aforesaid, by buyeing and sellinge of horses, and then she did thinke he was a single man, and promising to marry her, went awaye with him and ever since hath kept company with him and lodged with him in divers places; and about a moneth past came to this Towne, and there lodged at the house called the Katrene Wheele, as man and wief, and in bed with the said Chapman, not knoweing he had a wief and children untill Thursdaye last.

The confession of Augustine Chapman.

Saith he dwelleth at High Clere in com'. Southampton, and there liveth sometymes by buyeing and sellinge of horses and sometymes by the trade of a smith, and there hath wief and children livinge.

And saith at tymes for the space of half a yeaere last he lived at Bartley in Somersett-shiere and there came acquaynted with the said Cicely Addams, and about 8 or 9 weekes past came from thence in her company, and from tyme to tyme hath kept company with her in bed and at board as man and wief. And about a moneth past came into this Towne, and brought her to the house called the Caterne Wheele, and there left her, and came to her agayne, intending to have her to London. Comitted to be carted, &c. [Executus fuit per Constabular' *in margin.*]

[p. 217.] Mondaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1632.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent\*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston\*, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

To [enquire?] for strangers and foreiners inmates [?]

In St. Lawrence, Robert Bent, Robert Dye.

In St. Marie's, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison.

In St. Giles', Thomas Towne, William Densill.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*.

( At this daye Edward Johnson, constable, complayned that Bennett Bailey, keepinge alehouse, suffreth ill rule and playe att shovegroate in his house, and abused the Constable for reproveinge and forbiddinge those poore men for their playeinge, &c.

The said Bennett Bailey confesseth there were boyes at playe.

[p. 218.] Fridaye, 30 Novembris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, *generoso, Majore*.

Thomas Browne, a bucher by trade, saith he last dwelt in Rochester in com. Kent, and there lived as a jurneyman bucher 4 or 5 yeaeres; he had wief and 3 children, but his wief is lately

dead at Thistleworth. [His Master's name is Thomas Kendall, a butcher in Rochester, *in margin.*] And about 3 weekes past he came to this Towne to seeke worke, and hath wrought theise weekes with John Creed, butcher; and he brought a nagg with him, whiche he bought of a man dwellinge in the out hundred by Rochester, but his name he knoweth not, and hath nowe in Reading markett sould that nagg to a stranger, servant to Mr. [Standen?] for 52s. 4d., and he procured one William Ranner, a jurneyman bucher, to be his vowcher for the sale of that nag, whiche William Ranner he knewe and was acquaynted withall at Kingston 4 or 5 yeares past and knewe his father there dwelling. Noe Certificate or testimoniall of his travell.

William Ranner saith he hath knowne him and his freindes all his tyme, but did not see him theise 4 or 5 yeares last past, and beinge well perswaded that he is an honest man, uppon request, gave his word and became voucher for the sale of his nagg. Sent to the House of Correccion.

Thomas Kendall, of Gravesend, a butcher.

[p. 219.] Fridaye, the vijth of December, 1632, ac 8 regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the Hall accomptes were made by Arthur Curtys, cofferer, for the last yeare ended at Michaellmas last, viz<sup>t</sup>.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Receiptes. Th' Accomptant was charged with	221	9	11
the certen rentes payable in the last year .			
Item, with the old quitrentes and the arrerages	001	0	10
received . . . . .			
Item, with the encrochmentes and the arrerages	000	18	1[0]
received . . . . .			
Item, with the casuall and uncerten receiptes in	046	3	4
all that year . . . . .			
Summa totalis	269	12	11

\* Marked as absent.

Paymentes and expences.			<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Ordinary paymentes	.	.	145	15	4
Extraordynarye	.	.	099	07	11
Arrerages and rent lost	.	.	003	16	4
Summa totalis			248	19	7

Whiche being deducted out of 269. 12. 11, remayneth 20*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, then paid to Mr. Burren, the Cofferer.

⁴ Memorandum, the House of Correccion oweth } to the Hall . . . . . }			<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
			3	6	5
⁴ Mr. Kendricke's accomptes oweth . . . . . }			2	5	6
⁴ Charitable uses owe to the Hall . . . . . }			4	19	10
			10	11	9

Memorandum, the Hall oweth 50*li.*, for whiche they paye use; viz<sup>t</sup>. 4*li.* per annum to [blank].

Soe the Cofferer hath in stocke, money and debt }  
to receive . . . . . } 31 5 0 [?]  
and oweth 50*li.* for the Hall and pay use for it.

[p. 220.] Mondaye, 17 Decembris, 1632.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye some accomptes were had of William Gandye. Vide librum.

The iiij*li.* of Mr. Kemishe's guift to 24.

§ 9 in St. Giles' parishe.

8 in St. Lawrence parishe. .

7 in St. Marie's parishe.

The iiij*li.* of Mr. Hamblen's guift to x poore men, of which ij butch[e]rs.

4 in St. Giles' parishe.

3 in St. Marie's parishe.

3 in St. Lawrence parishe.

⁴ Debt, to each of these lines, in margin.  
put to these 12 gifts, to show they had been made.

\* Marked as absent.

§ A + is

The xl bushells of barley of Mr. Packer's guift to 40 poore, viz<sup>t</sup>.  
 16 in St. Giles' parishe.  
 12 in St. Marie's parishe.  
 12 in St. Lawrence parishe.

The x shirtes and smockes of Mr. James Pococke's guift ; viz<sup>t</sup>.  
 in St. Giles' parishe 4.  
 in St. Mary parishe 3.  
 in St. Lawrence 3.

[p. 221.] Quarter-daye, viz<sup>t</sup>. Fridaye, xxj<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1632, et viij regni regis Caroli.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, scenescallus ibidem.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire \*, Richard Winche, *egrotus* \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Willyam Maulthus made request to leave his place of a Capitall Burgesse.

At this daye Symon Dye exhibited his petition to renewe his lease ; the aunswere appeareth in the foote of the petition. Vide le file.

At this daye alsoe Barton Turnour exhibited his petition concerninge the distrayninge of his goodes. Vide le file.

At this daye Richard Alder exhibited his petition concerning a lease of his house. Vide [le file ?].

24<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

The confession of Thomas Minshewe, dwellinge in Fetter Lane, London, and there liveth by the sale of bookes, whiche his father, called a Doctour [?], late tutour to Lady Eliz. [?], left behinde him,

\* Marked as absent.



beinge muche [in debte?] and came fourth of London the last Tuesdaye, riding uppon a nagg, colour baye, and spent his tyme this weeke in ridinge up and downe to gentlemen's houses to sell bookes.

Uppon Fridaye last he came from Harlington, where his wief lodgeth, to Henley-uppon-Thames and lodged at the Kinge's Hed there that night without any companye, and came to Readinge upon Saturdaye in the afternoone by Sonninge, nere Reading, without any company, having a bay nagg under him.

Richard Symes of Wymbledon, in Surrey, dwellinge with the Lord of [blank] uppon Saturdaye last was robbed betwixt Harehatche and Twiford about xij a clocke, by ij horsemen, the one having a daple grey nag and the other a baye nagg: the elder man havinge a skarr in his face; but cannot accuse this Thomas Minshew nowe in examinacion.

[p. 222.] Fridaye, the iiij<sup>th</sup> daye of Januarye, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. viij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Willyam Kendrick, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Scenescall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Willelmus Turnour senior cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. ad exercendum officium de Overseer de pann.' Negatur. Dies data usque ad diem Lune proximam ad respondendum.

At this daye it was informed that Alice Stevens, spinster, whiche formerly complayned she was begotten with childe by one Richard Savage, dwellinge with Charles Glasse, that she is nowe delivered of a childe uppon [blank] last, at Roe's house in Hosyer Lane.

Jone Wheler, the wife of Richard Wheler, wever, Alice Smith, the wief of Clement Smith, furier [?], Phebe Roe, the wief of John Roe, laborer. They all uppon their oathes doe saye that at the tyme of the birth of the childe they all asked her, who was the father of the childe, and she answered, with teares, that Richard at Glasse's was the father of that childe, and noe man but he: by whiche it apeareth that the said Richard Savage is the reputed father of the said bastard childe.

Whereuppon yt was then ordered by the said Mayour and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, that for and towardses the keepinge of the

\* Marked as absent.

said childe and discharge of the parishe, the said Richard Savage shall from hencefourth paye xiiij*d.* weekly to the Overseers of the poore of St. Marie parishe towards the keepinge of the said childe. And the said Alice, the mother, if she doe not nurse the childe herself, shall paye weekly vj*d.*, and theise paymentes to contynue untill suche tyme as the said Richard or Alice shall by order of lawe be thereof discharged, or some other occurrence happen whereby justly to alter this order.

At this daye the difference betwene the 3 Serjeantes, concerninge the devidinge of the money gotten into their box at this tide, was ordered and agreed by the said Mayor and Magistrates, viz<sup>t</sup>. seinge neither of them was Counter-keeper, they should deuide the money in their box, share and share like, and soe to be freindes.

[p. 223.] Mondaye, 7 Januarii, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 8<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, *absens*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq., Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the placinge of the 500*li.* due the 10th of this moneth was placed agayne to ten Clothiers for ten yeres as Mr. Kendricke's will directeth. Vide librum.

Wensday, 16 Januarii, 1632.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye it was agreed that for the better relief of the poore of St. Giles' parishe there shalbe iiij*s.* a weeke raised by the Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore in all the 3 parishes, and shalbe weekly paid for the onely relief of the poore of St. Giles' parishe

\* Marked as absent.



within the Boroughe in such sort as by their colleccion bookes the reliefe of eache parishe is collected.

[p. 224.] Wensdaye, 30 Januarii, 1632.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman\*.

At this daye the lettre from Mistris Stevens concerninge the tole of the Markett and Woolhall was read; and it was resolved and agreed that they shall hold as they did for one yeare, they payeing rent as they did the last half yeare.

But if they exclude the Widowe Maulthus, then Mistris Stevens shall paye to the mayntenance of the Widowe Maulthus weekly soe muche money as this Companye shall thinke fitt for her to releive her in age.

<sup>5</sup> Lent Mr. Burren a procla[mation] for . . . .

Memorandum, to call Mr. Samuel Carter to have a lease of the garden and to sett the rent per annum.

4<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Mr. Vincent Godderd complayneth that, on Wensday night last past, he lost 8 hens and two drakes out of his hen-house and hen-roost at Burghfeild, and by meanes he found 3 dead hens in the handes of Margaret Nicholls, and she bought them of Bridgett Robinson, the wief of Thomas Robinson, of Reading.

Bridgett Robinson. (Examinacio.)

Saith that uppon Thursdaye last she bought of Phillip Morgan 4 hens and paid him for them *xxd.*, whiche 4 hens she pulled and sould, 3 of them to Goodwief Nicholls for *ijs. vjd.*, and eate the *iiijth* hen, for [it] was not vendible.

Phillip Morgan. (Examinacio.)

Saith he liveth by his labour in servinge Masons, &c., and upon Thursday morninge last, about 5 of the clocke in the morninge, he went towardes Pegge's garden to get a burthen of poles and rodes, to bynd a garden hedg; noe company.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>5</sup> Crossed through in the MS.

Saith he brought 4 dead hens to Robinson's house in Reading and sold them to her for *xxd.*, whiche 4 hens he found in a bag at a stile in his waye.

And further confesseth that he himself did steale those 8 hens and ij drakes and j pewter chamber pot from Mr. Goddard, of Burfeild, and hid all the rest in a haymowe<sup>6</sup> nere Readinge, and after he had sold the 4 he went agayne to fetch the rest from the haymowe, and then they were gone and carried awaye by persons unknowne; noe companye, by Burfeild Bridge, out and home<sup>7</sup>, and in and out by the orchard.

[Denyeth that he did not eate, or knoweth of any of them eaten in any place. Denyeth all thinges, but what he confesseth. Noe partener accessorye . . . nor . . . ster. *In the margin.*] Ad Domum Correccionis.

<p>[<i>Sessio Pacis, in margin.</i>] Memorandum quod Thomas Robinson, de, etc. taylor, cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xli.</i> . Johannes Barker, de, etc. barbor, et Thomas Barnes de, etc. laborer, manuceperunt separatim <i>vli.</i> .</p>	}	<p>quod Bridget Robinson, uxor predicti Thome Robinson, compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam comitatu Berkes, etc. ad respondendum ad omnia que sibi objiciuntur, etc.</p>
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[p. 225.] 5<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore.*

Mary Cope, the wief of Thomas Cope.

Thomas Cope cognovit se debere domino Regi *xli.* ad proseguendum for a dussen yarges of b . . . .

*Sessio Pacis.* Memorandum, Vincentius Goddard de, etc. cognovit se debere domino Regi *vli.* quod ipse ad proximam Sessionem Pacis proseq' versus Phillippum Morgan, etc.

Ad Assisas. Memorandum, Humfredus Mills cognovit se debere domino Regi, etc. *xli.* to presente against the 2 weomen for 5 or 6 ells of skottes holland.

Andreas Vivers cognovit, etc. *xli.* for x ells of holland.

Johannes Perrott cognovit, etc. *xli.* for i new hatt.

Andreas Wright cognovit, etc. *xli.* for x yarges of tuft fustian.

<sup>6</sup> in Sir Thomas Vachell's ground, *crossed through here.*

<sup>7</sup> whome, MS.

5<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1632.

The examinacion of Dorothe Williams, the wife of Morgan Williams, of Wilscome, in comitatu Somerset, weaver.

[Ad Assisas, *in margin.*] Saith shee came from London on Monday was senight in the company of her sister-in-lawe, Joane Williams, to meete her husband, intending to goe home into Somersetshire ; shee came to this Towne on Saturday morning last being faire-day in Reading, and stayed there to se the faire ; and beinge demaunded where shee had the holland cloth and other peices of cloth, lynnenn and fustian, found about her, shee saith she had them of a man called John, in the streetes in Reading, he entreating her to keepe it for him. And being demaunded where shee had the 2 peices of bondlace, shee saith shee had them of the same John. And being demanded where shee had the new hatt, shee saith of the same John. Committed to Gaole.

[Ad Assisas, *in margin.*] The examinacion of Joane Williams, the wife of Thomas Williams, of Wilscome, in comitatu Somersett, chapman.

Saith shee came from London on Monday was senight, and came into Reading on Saturday last, intending (it being her way) to goe into Somersetshire. And being demaunded the cause of her coming into the faire, was onely to seeke her husband. And being demaunded where shee had the holland cloth, and bondlace, and other peices of fustian, saith shee and her sister had it of a man that came along with him, and his name was John : and being demaunded where shee had the new hatt shee saith of the same John. Comitted to Gaole.

Memorandum quod 5 <sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1632,	} quod ipse compareat ad	
Phillippus Morgan, de, etc. cognovit pro se xli.		proximam Sessionem
Georgius Porchmer, etc.		Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
Johannes Cowbra [?], de, etc.		Flagisset. [Ad Sessionem Pacis, <i>in margin.</i> ]
	manucep'. se-	
	paratim vli.	
	per se	

[p. 226.] Wensdaye, 6 Februarii, 1632, et 8<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye it was informed that the Assises shalbe holden here in Readinge the [blank] of [blank] next, and it was agreed that preparacion shalbe made for their enterteynement as followeth; viz<sup>t</sup>.

6<sup>o</sup> Februarii. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Major*, etc.

Willyam Dolman confesseth that he knoweth Raphe Churchall, *alias* Churchyard, of Newington, in the county of Kent, and hath knowne him theise 4 or 5 yeares last past; and about a moneth before Christmas last he was here in Readinge and had and bought of this Examine as many . . . settes as came to iiij*li*. vs. of whiche he paid to this Examine 43*s*. and this Examine lent the said Churchall xxx*s*., soe in all Churchall oweth to this Examine 55*s*., and for so muche of whiche the said Churchall pawned and delivered to this Examine a bay mare with a balld face and but one eye and a shorne mane, and promised to fetch the mare and paye the money by Twelftide then next in the presens of . . . ., and this Examine saith that he hath the same mare in his keepinge, whereat the said Churchall to shew . . . and hall, and is nowe lett to hire, to William West of Caversham, to ride into Northampton-sheire. And further saith that the said mare was offered to be pawned to one William Grummell and to others in Reading before he tooke her in pawne, as shalbe affirmed if need be.

Upon his examynacion the said mare was delivered to one Thomas Allen of Milton, in the county of Kent, whoe brought certificate that he was the true owner thereof.

[p. 227*b*.] Concerninge the Tole.

<sup>8</sup> At this daye Walter Fellowe, junior, did aunswere in Mistris Stevens' behaulfe, and saith that she will paye for the tole but 28*s*. 8*d*. the weeke, and will geve noe more rent, &c. Whereuppon it was resolved that she shall not hold the tole any longer than this daye, for some causes.

<sup>8</sup> The House of Correccion to be amended in glasse, house of office and lightes.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>8</sup> These paragraphs are repeated on p. 227 of the MS.

13<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1632.

<sup>o</sup> At this daye the tole of the Corne markett, whiche the Widowe Stevens and widowe Maulthus formerly held, was graunted to Arthur Liford for one yeare, from Mondaye last, he payeinge xxxs. viij<sup>d</sup>. the weeke, every weeke, to the Cofferer. Bond to paye.

<sup>o</sup> At this daye agreed that Richard Atwater shall avoid and leave the Counter [and] his place and office of sub-bailieffe at Michaellmas next, and that he shalbe respected and have allowance duringe his lief.

[p. 227.] Wensdaye, 13 Februarii, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., viij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye it was informed that the Assises shalbe houlden here in Readinge upon Mondaye the xjth daye of Marche next; and it was agreed that preparacion shalbe made for their enter-tenement, viz<sup>t</sup> :

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's house as formerly, &c. [he beinge noe wayes hindered thereby.]

The Clarkes of the Assises at Mr. Bateman's and Mr. Blake's as heretofore.

Lent, 1632.

iiij barrells and a haulfe of beere.

3 gallon[s] of sacke.

ij gallon[s] of clarett.

couple of old holland linges . . . xs.

ij good salt salmons . . . 2s. 6d.

The Judges' horses at Edward Blaggrave's.

The Clarkes of the Assises' at <sup>10</sup> Edward Clarke's [?] et duobus Scenescallis xs. a peice.

6 good carpes	} all livinge and cost }
4 good pikes	
6 good perches	
2 [?] very good eeles	
1 tenche	

\* These paragraphs are repeated on p. 227 of the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>10</sup> Henry Birde's, marked for erasure here.

Memorandum, at this tyme the Inholders gave two quarters of oates.

At this daye Walter Fellowe, junior, was convented to returne Mistris Stevens her second aunswere concerninge the tole of the Markett; and he in her behaulf did saye she was willinge to hold it at the former rent of xxvjs. viij*d*. the weeke, but more rent she would not geve.

Whereuppon and for some other causes, it was resolved and agreed that she shall not hould the tole any longer.

Memorandum. At this daye alsoe the Tole of the Markett, whiche Widowe Maulthus and Widowe Stevens late did hold at 26*s*. 8*d*. the weeke, was graunted to Arther Liford, for one yeare, beginninge this day, he payeing therefore weekelye 30*s*. 8*d*. (exceptinge the 3 tide weekes), and if the Widowe Maulthus dye, he shall paye but 26*s*. 8*d*. the weeke, for the Widowe Maulthus is promised 4*s*. a weeke duringe her lief, to be paid her by this Companye, she leavinge the Woolhall and goodes of particion.

Memorandum. At this daye alsoe Richard Atwater was convented, and in regard of his weaknes and inhabilitye to doe the offices he should performe and doe for the Mayour and Companye; and for some other causes, he was warned to provide himself against Michaellmas next, for then he should leave the Counter, the kepinge of the Hall and all the other offices and thinges he hath in charge for the Mayour and Burgesses. And they did then promise that he should be considered on, and have some allowaunce towards his mayntenance, duringe his lief.

Memorandum, the glasse windores of the House of Correcion shalbe amended, the house of office there clensed, and some better light to be made there fourthwith.

[p. 228.] 23 Februarii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

Henricus Yorke, laborer, cognovit	} quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sesionem Pacis ad, etc., et quod interim se bene geret versus, etc., et precipue versus Franciscum Thackham. [Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, <i>in margin</i> .]
se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> . .	
Isaacus Yorke, } manuceperunt	
baker } separatim	
Edwardus Yorke, } pro ipso in	
weaver } x <i>li</i> . .	

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<sup>3</sup> Johannes Piggion, victuler, in . . . xli.	Henry Elkins, victuler, in . . . xli.
Edwardus Androwes, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Hancock, in . . . vli.
Johannes Backhowse, in . . . vli.	Francis Browne . . . vli.
<sup>3</sup> Johannes Backhowse, in . . . xli.	Francis Thackham, in . . . xli.
Edwardus Andrewes, in . . . vli.	Thomas Skinner, victuler, in . . . xli.
Johannes Pinnocke <sup>4</sup> , in . . . vli.	pro Edwardo Hollowaye
<sup>3</sup> Ricardus Waker, victuler, in . . . xli.	Francis Browne, in . . . xli.
William Porter, in . . . vli.	Henrie Elkins, in . . . xli.
Ricardus Birche, in . . . vli.	pro Thoma Streete
Edwardus Blagrove, in . . . xli.	Francis Thackham, in . . . xli.
Francis Thackham, pro Alicia Tayler, vidua, victuler, in . . . xli.	Ricardus Hancocke, victuler, in . . . xli.
Ould Warde.	pro Roberto Legge
Thomas Sawser, victuler, in . . . xli.	[p. 231 <sup>5</sup> .]
William Hulbert, in . . . vli.	Johannes Creede, butcher, in . . . xli.
Thomas Wilder, in . . . vli.	Edwardus Brackstone, in . . . vli.
William Hulberd, victuler, in . . . xli.	Henry Creede, in . . . vli.
Thomas Sawser, in . . . vli.	Edwardus Brackstone, butcher . . . xli.
Thomas Wilder, in . . . vli.	<sup>6</sup> Johannes Creede, in . . . vli.
Phillip Shiller, victuler, in . . . xli.	Henrie Creede, in . . . vli.
Ricardus Shiller, in . . . vli.	Henrie Creede, butcher, in . . . xli.
Roger Cammell, in . . . vli.	<sup>6</sup> Johannes Creede, in . . . vli.
Francis Browne, victuler . . . xli.	Edwardus Brackston, in . . . vli.
Henry Elkins, in . . . vli.	Johannes Porter, butcher, in . . . xli.
Ricardus Hancock, in . . . vli.	Michaell Hameldene, in . . . vli.
	Henrie Hameldene, in . . . vli.

<sup>3</sup> These names (in threes) are repeated on p. 231, but are crossed through.

<sup>4</sup> Piggion, on p. 231.  
those marked on p. 230.

<sup>5</sup> The first 15 names *crossed through* are a repetition of  
<sup>6</sup> non solvit, *added in the MS.*



2<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso,  
*Majore.*

Ricardus White, laborer, cognovit	} quod ipse compareat ad proxima Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret, etc. et precipue versus Ricardum Sargood.
se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i> .	
Hugo Larkham, carpenter	
Willelmus Lymboe, carpenter	

[Richard White, his mark], Limboe  $\Gamma$ ,  
Hughe  $\text{H}$  Larkham.

Memorandum, Mr. Libbe and Mr. Tisdale, 23<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632, this day fortnight.

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[p. 230.] Mondaye, the 4th of March, 1632, ac 8 regni regis Caroli Anglie.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Frauncis Knollys, Knight, and Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

Minster Warde.	<sup>2</sup> Paine Canterell, inholder,
Nicholaus Noble, inholder, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes, in . . <i>vli.</i>	William Willmer, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symmons, in <i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Reddatt, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes, victu- ler, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Pynnocke, victu- ler, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholaus Noble, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Poore [?], in . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symmons, in <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Wilder, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symmons, victuler, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	<sup>2</sup> Edwardus Andrewes, victu- ler . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholaus Noble, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Backhowse, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Nicholaus Noble, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Piggion, in . . <i>vli.</i>

\* Marked as absent.

\* These names (in threes) are repeated on p. 231, but are crossed through.

Johannes Hickes, vint- ner, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Valentine Skeate, victuler, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Arthur, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pecocke, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Thackham . .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Yorke, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Jonannes Arthur, vic- tuler, in . .	<i>xli.</i>	Isacke Yorke, victuler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Hickes, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pecocke, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Lea, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Valentine Skinner, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Daye, victuler, in . .	<i>xli.</i>	Jerome Pecocke, victuler .	<i>xli.</i>
Symon Cane, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Valentine Skeite, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Noble, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Isacke Yorke, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Symon Cane, victuler .	<i>xli.</i>	Valentine Skeite, in . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Noble, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skinner, in . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Daye, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Elizabetha Gallant	
Johannes Noble, victuler	<i>xli.</i>	Isacke Yorke, in . .	<i>xli.</i>
Symon Cane, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pecocke, in . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Daye, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Willelmo Evered	
Johannes Noble, victuler	<i>xli.</i>	Jone Pither, victuler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Symon Cane, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Browne, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Daye, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Elkins, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Poore, victuler, in . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Blaggrave <sup>8</sup> , victu- ler . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Pynnocke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Wilder, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Hancocke, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
William Clinton, butcher	<i>vli.</i>	[p. 233.] High Warde.	
Thomas Spencer, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henrie Mollins, victler .	<i>xli.</i>
Henrie Mollins, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	William Clinton, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Spencer, butcher	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Spencer, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
William Clinton, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Salmon, vintener .	<i>xli.</i>
Henrie Mollins . .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham . .	<i>vli.</i>
London Warde.		Radulphus Coxed . .	<i>vli.</i>
Henrie Birde, inholder .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Watlington, vic- tuler . .	<i>xli.</i>
Henrie Cleere, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Coxhead, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Georgius Hone, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skinner, in . .	<i>vli.</i>

<sup>8</sup> Blaggrave, MS.

William Turner, butcher, in . . . . . xli.	Edwardus Blagrove, in . . . xli.
Reynold Cranidge, in . . vli.	Francis Thackham, in . . xli.
Thomas West, in . . . vli.	pro Johanne Milsopp, juniore, victuler
Thomas West, butcher, in . . . . . xli.	New Ward.
Reynold Cranidge, in . . vli.	Ricardus Hancock, victuler, in . . . . . xli.
William Turner, in . . . vli.	Henry Elkins, in . . . vli.
Reynold Cranidge, butcher, in . . . . . xli.	Francis Browne, in . . . vli.
Thomas West, in . . . xli.	Bennett Baylie, victler, in . . . . . xli.
William Turner, in . . . vli.	Francis Thackham, in . . vli.
° Johannes Woodward, butcher, in . . . . . xli.	Thomas Lea, in . . . . . vli.
° Radulphus Robertes, butcher, in . . . . . xli.	Thomas Lea, victtler, in . . xli.
Edwardus Blagrove, in . . xli.	Bennett Baylie, in . . . vli.
Francis Thackham, in . . xli.	Henrie Merifeild, in . . . vli.
pro Johanni Mapleton, victuler	Henry Merifeild, butcher, in . . . . . xli.
Edwardus Blagrove, in . . xli.	Bennett Baylie, in . . . vli.
Francis Thackham, in . . xli.	Thomas Lea, in . . . . . vli.
pro Henrico Spier, victuler	Johannes Humferies, victu- ler, in . . . . . xli.
	Thomas Lea, in . . . . . vli.
	Henrie Merifeild, in . . . vli.

[p. 234.] Thursdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632, ac viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. Coram Francisco Knollys et Thoma Vachell, militibus.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Ire-monger\*, Mr. John Newman.

° refuse to pay, *in margin*.

\* Marked as absent.

High Ward.	Innibrandus Duell, in . <i>xli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, victu- ler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Francis Thackham . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholaus Coplin, in . <i>vli.</i>	pro Johanna Dewell, vi- dua, inho[l]der
Radulphus Coxhead, in <i>vli.</i>	
Nicholaus Coplin, vict- ler, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . <i>xli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Hugo Hardwaye, in . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxhead, in <i>vli.</i>	pro Ricardo Barnes
Francis Thackham, in . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Greene, in . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Browne, in . <i>xli.</i>	Francis Nethercliffe, in . <i>xli.</i>
pro Elenour Bennett <sup>1</sup> , vidua, victler	pro Johanne Gale, victuler
Francis Thackham, in . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Skynner, in . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxhead, in <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Elees, in . <i>xli.</i>
pro John Johnson, victler	pro Willelmo Kenton, victuler
Robertus Jaques, butcher, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Eles, victuler, in . <i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, in . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . <i>vli.</i>
Rogerus Symmons, in . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skynner, in . <i>vli.</i>
Rogerus Symmons, butcher . . . <i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Wright, butcher, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Robertus Jaques, in . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . <i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, in . <i>vli.</i>	Matheus Beale, in . <i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, butcher . . . <i>xli.</i>	London Warde.
Robertus Jaques, in . <i>vli.</i>	Daniell Martin, vitler, in . <i>xli.</i>
Rogerus Symons, in . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Nethercliffe, in . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Wooddard, butcher . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Greene, in . <i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, in . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Nethercliffe, victler <i>xli.</i>
Rogerus Symons, in . <i>vli.</i>	Daniell Martin, in . <i>vli.</i>
	Johannes Greene, in . <i>vli.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Bemett, MS.

Johannes Greene, vittler,	Radulphus Robinson,
in . . . xli.	butcher, in . . . xli.
Daniell Martin, in . . vli.	Ricardus Cranidge, in . . vli.
Francis Nethercliffe, in . vli.	Ricardus Shawe, in . . vli.
Nathaniell Blackman,	[p. 235.]
vitler, in . . . xli.	Willelmus Cooper, in . . xli.
Ricardus Shaw, in . . vli.	Ricardus Sone, in . . xli.
Johannes Greene, in . . vli.	pro Willelmo Lymbo,
	victler
Ricardus Shaw, butcher,	Willelmus Cooper, victuler,
in . . . xli.	in . . . xli.
Nathaniel Blackman, in vli.	Francis Thackham, in . . vli.
Johannes Greene, in . . vli.	Ricardus Sone, in . . vli.

Alehowses suppressed.

John Knight conf[es]seth that he brewed his beere hymself and selleth it without license : hath 6 daies to bring in his money.

Thomas Nowell bound in xx*li*. never to keepe victualinge any more.

Ralph Spier confesseth that he hath and doth sell beere without license, and hath 6 daies to bringe in his monney.

Thomas Greene confesseth that before Christmas<sup>2</sup> he sold beere without license and hath 6 daies to bringe in his monney.

Henry Walter confesseth that he selleth beere without license, and hath 6 daies to bring in his monney.

John Clifford confesseth he selleth beere without license and hath 6 daies to bringe in his monny.

Nicholas Lampier [his] wife confesseth that her husband and shee selleth beere with[out] license : hath 6 daies to bringe in his monny.

Mathew Beale confesseth he selleth beere without license, hath 6 daies to bringe in his monney.

William Grumwell hath formerly paid xxx*s*. for sellinge beere without license and now to be sent to the Howse of Correction.

Johannes Heyes his wife [confesseth] that shee selleth beere without license : hath 6 daies to bringe in his monney.

Richard Burfor to be suppresst.

<sup>2</sup> Xp'mas, MS.

[p. 236.] <sup>3</sup> Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632, et 8<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mistris Elizabeth Holdernes, uxor Rogeri Holdernes, of Woo-borne in Buckes, late of Readinge, maketh affidavit that Cicelye, the wief of Michael Hamblen, hath beaten her and done her great harme and she feareth that she will doe her further harme. [Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, *in margin.*]

Memorandum. Michael Ham- blen cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xlii.</i> et Jo- hannes Greene de, etc. manucep'. pro Cicelia uxore predicti Michaelis in <i>xlii.</i>	}	quod Cicelia uxor predicti Mi- chaelis quod ipsa compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. et quod interim se teneat pacem versus cunctum populum do- mini Regis et precipue versus Agnetem uxorem cujusdam.
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I. Q.

Postea, 19<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632. Coram eodem Majore. Relaxata fuit.  
 17s. soluti in satisfaccione.

Memorandum, to make releases.

13 Febr. At this daye Richard Atwater was sent for about the leavinge of the Counter and keepinge the Hall and place of Subbailieffe, &c. And it was then agreed that he shall avoid and leave the Counter and all his offices at Michaelmas next, and that he shalbe considered on, and have som allowaunce duringe his lief. Vide preantea in fol. die 13<sup>o</sup> Feb.

And at this daye the tole of the Markett, whiche the Widowe Stevens and the Widowe Maulthus formerly held, was graunted to Arthur Liford, to hold from Mondaye last for one yeare, he payeinge therefore weeklye xxxs. viij*d.* to the Cofferers: Entred before in 13<sup>o</sup> Febr.

[p. 237.] Fridaye, 15 Martii, 1632, et viij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. Quarter-daye.

Mr. Willyam Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas *Turnour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

<sup>3</sup> The entry for this day is crossed through.

\* Marked as absent.

John Saunders, Esq \*, Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

The lease of the garden is deferd till another tyme.

Agreed the Widowe Maulthus at Ladye daye next shall leave the Woolhall with all the glasse, wainscot, boarded particions, doores, lockes and keyes, and suche other thinges there, as the two Cofferers and William Wilmer shall thinke fitt in lieu of her debt and rent due.

At this daye alsoe it was agred that the Widowe Maulthus shalbe paid iiij*s.* a weeke during her lief, after Ladye-daye next, by the Cofferer for the Hawle.

At this daye it was alsoe agreed that John Thorne Clothier shall have 150*li.* of the 300*li.* in Mr. Anthony Brackston's handes and Richard Stampe the other 150*li.* uppon securitye to repay and performe covenantes, prout, etc.

All the undertakers of the 3600*li.* to be warned against Tuesdaye j a clocke to accompt, &c.

The old armour shall not be sould, but repayred and kept cleane.

\* The decree for the tole of the Markett to be delivered to Sir Edward Clerke to advise, &c. Returned *per* W. W[ilmer].

Memorandum, the graunt of the tolle to Arthur Liford was 15 Februarii last, ut patet, etc.

[p. 238.] 16<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendrick, generoso, *Majore*.

The informacion of William Bourman, the wharfenger, saith that yesterdaye was senight, towards night, Thomas Fowler, Edward Teraunt, Henry Lasher, William Randall, William Hockett, Phillip Parrey, John Cole, Richard Hill, servantes to William Conwaye, Master of a barge, called the Dooves of Readinge, brought the same barge in and to the said William Bourman's wharffe, in or neere the high bridge in Readinge, and then and there (amongest other thinges) did unlade 17 barrells of beefe and other provision for the use of Sir Henry Walloppe, and in the next morninge there was lackinge one of those barrells of beefe, and the Wensdaye

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\* This entry is crossed through.



followinge, uppon searche made, there was found in the said Edward Terante's house ij peices of the like beefe, it beinge compared with another barrell thereof, opened before the Constable, &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. William Bourman cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. ad proseguendum.

Certificati fuerunt ad Sessionem Pacis tunc proximam.

Edward Terant, beinge examined, saith he was one of the men that did helpe to bringe the barge to the said wharffe, and did laye in the 17 barrells on to the wharffe, and beinge demaunded where and of whome he had the ij peices of beefe found in his house, saith Phillip Parrey did geve it to him.

Thomas Fowler, de Maydenhead, saith he was one of the 8 men that brought the barge to the wharffe, and saith ther was 17 barrells of stuffe brought up and laid on to the wharff for the use of Sir Henry Walloope, and, as to the barrell of beefe that the next morning was missinge, saith he can saye nothinge.

John Cole saith he was one of the 8 men, &c. but is ignorant of the losse of the barrell of beefe, but one of the hedes of a barrell fell out in the . . . . and there was ij or iij peices of beefe fell out whiche were delivered to Edward Terant intending to be merrie therewith.

William Randall saith, ut supra, etc., and by the falling out of the hed of a barrell in the barge, ij peices fell out and were delivered to Edward Terant to be merrie, &c., and that he had noe beefe but ij peices of porke.

Henry Lesh, of Wargrove	} all affyrme they did all worke in the said barge, and did all helpe to unload the said 17 barrells of stuffe in and to the
Richard Hill, of Reading	
Phillip Parrey, of Twiford	
William Hockett, of Readinge	
[ <i>blank</i> ]	

said wharffe for Sir Henry Wallop's use.

And they all saye that there was the heades of 3 or 4, or 5 barrells of beefe did fly open and then tooke out ij or iij peices of beef . . . . . and amongst them did devide all the peices of beefe, share and share like; but as touchinge the barrell of beefe that was lost, every one of them per se saith he is ignorant, for they left alle the xvij barrells in the wharffe.

[p. 239.] Memorandum, Edwardus Terant cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i>	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim, etc.
Johannes Browne, etc. et		
Richard Lampier manucep'. separatim [ <i>xli.</i> ?]		
Thomas Fowler cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i>		
Willelmus Conwaye et	}	pro consimili condicione.
Willelmus Ridges manucep'. separatim <i>xli.</i>		
Johannes Cole, de Readinge, pro se <i>xxli.</i>	}	pro consimili [condicione].
Willelmus Conwaye et } <i>xli.</i>		
William Ridges	}	pro consimili condicione.
Willelmus Randall, de Harley [?], <i>xxli.</i>		
Willelmus Conwaye } <i>xli.</i>	}	pro consimili condicione.
Willelmus Randall		
Henricus Lasher, pro se <i>xxli.</i>	}	pro consimili condicione.
Johannes Lasher, de Reading, et		
Willelmus Gibbes, de Reading, manuc'. <i>xli.</i>	}	pro consimili condicione.
Richard Hill, pro se, <i>xxli.</i>		
Willelmus Palmer, de Redinge,	}	pro consimili condicione.
Johannes Knottes, de Reading, manuc'. <i>xli.</i>		
Philippus Parrey, pro se, <i>xxli.</i>	}	pro consimili condicione.
Thomas Symons, de Reading,		
Willelmus Gibbes, manuc'. separatim <i>xli.</i>	}	pro et sub tali condicione.
Willelmus Hockett, pro se, <i>xxli.</i>		
Willelmus Palmer, <i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Symons, <i>xli.</i>		

[p. 240.] Tuesdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., viij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. Willyam Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, *egrotus*, Mr. William Iremonger, *egrotus*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jeninges\*,

\* Marked as absent.

Robert Dye, *misericord.* 2<sup>od.</sup>, William Jacobbe, *miseric.* 2<sup>od.</sup>, Thomas Harrison, *miseric.* 2<sup>od.</sup>, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye lettres from the Widowe Stevens concerninge the Woolhall were read and by the Company present agreed that it shalbe further considered on untill, [*sic*].

All the rest of the busynes was concerninge the workmen in the workhouse, vide illum, librum.

Fridaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., viij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Maiour*. Mr. John Saunders, unus Commissionar', Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the warrant to warne all persons inhabitinge or residinge within the Boroughe, of what quallitye soever conceived of habilitye and able to parte with some parte of their meanes, towards the preventinge of the great rewyn of the Cathedrall Church of St. Paule in the citty of London, was openly read, and the names to be warned and returned were then agreed and sett downe in the bills by the colleccion booke of eache parishe.

22<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

John Parrett hath made affidavit that Mr. Samucl Carter hath beaten him.

[p. 241.] Tuesdaye, xxvj<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, *absens*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. William Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, *egrotus*, Mr. John Newman.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq. \*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

Avenice Willatt, servant to Mr. Clarke 5 yeres at Michaelmas next.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Tuesdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. [9<sup>o</sup>].

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman \*.

Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenynges, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobbe \*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye it was agreed that the Widowe Maulthus shalbe paid the iiij<sup>s</sup>. a weeke promised her by the Cofferer, and the debt she oweth shalbe recovered by accion, as the lawe will direct.

And whereas the Keeper of the Woolhall hath usually made his waye heretofor, in and out, by the staires at the West end of the Woolhall, nowe for some causes it is agreed that from henceforwardes the Keeper of the Woolhall shall make his waye in and out altogether by the great dore, and shall have noe waye nor passage in or out at the West end of the Woolhall.

[p. 242.] Wensdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq. \*, Richard Winche \*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren \*, John Jeaninges \*,

\* Marked as absent.

Robert Dee, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this day the election of the 3 poore Maides to cast the lottes uppon Good-Friday next, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Marye's parishe, Katherine Fisher, servant to Mr. Winche.

In St. Laurence parishe, Mary Bentham, servant to Bennett Bailey.

In St. Giles' parishe, Anne West, servant to John Booth.

At this daye William Stretch paid in 100*li*. geven by Richard Johnson by his last will, to be lent to 4 tradesmen ten yeares gratis, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

To William Stretch	. xxv <i>li</i> .	Humfrey Evans, Edward Johnson.
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To John Parrett	. xxv <i>li</i> .	Edward Hamblen, Walter Kent.
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To Richard Bartholmew	. xxv <i>li</i> .	Francis Shepreve, John Branter [?].
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To William Underwood, grocer,	xxv <i>li</i> .	Hugh Smith, of Bradfield [?], William Wilmer.
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At this daye William Stretche paid the xx*li*. geven by Richard Johnson to bynde poore children to be apprentices, and with them that xx*li*. was lent and delivered accordingly.

To be Apprentices.

Abraham Hulberte's sonne.

Widowe Whittell's sonne, Henry Whittell, to Thomas Cope, sen., wever.

Widowe Perryn's sonne, apprentice to William Parre, broad-wever.

Henry Webb, John Nottes, Christofer Kenton's sonne, Henry Harbert, sonne of Robert Harbert, apprentice to William Horne, clothworker.

[p. 243.] Good Fridaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1633, ac anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. nono.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, scenescallus, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*,  
Mr. John Newman.

Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell,  
George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis,  
Richard Burren \*, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe,  
Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

The 3 Maides elected to cast the lottes this daye for the xx  
nobles :

In St. Marye parishe, Katherine Fisher, the lott of 6 <i>li.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> . . . . .	12	3
	15 (?)	tyed
In St. Lawrence parishe, Marye Bentham . . . . .	11	1
In St. Giles' parishe, Anne West . . . . .	12	tyed
	8	1

Memorandum, this is the second yeare from the 5th for Southcott  
maid to come.

At this daye the *iiij*/*li.* of William Legge's guift by the Mayour  
and Burgesses was distributed by direccions of his will to *xxiiij* poore  
housholders in this Towne, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 8 in St. Marye parishe . . . . .	} 3 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i> a peice.	Vide le <sup>3</sup> file, etc.
To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe . . . . .		
To 8 in St. Giles' parishe . . . . .		

At this daye alsoe the *iiij*/*li.* of Widowe Worsley's guift was  
distributed to *lx* poore widowes of this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 25 in St. Giles' parishe . . . . .	} <i>xij</i> / <i>d.</i> a peece.
To 25 in St. Lawrence parishe . . . . .	
To 10 in St. Marye parishe . . . . .	

For their names se the file.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blagrove by direccions of Mr. John  
Blagrove's will paid the *x*/*li.* in a newe leather purse, and it was then  
paid and distributed as his will directeth ; viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Katherine Fisher, the poore maidservant, . . . . .	<i>vj</i> / <i>li.</i> 13 <i>s.</i> 4 <i>d.</i>
To the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence's . . . . .	<i>xxs.</i>
To the Churchwardens of St. Marye . . . . .	<i>xxs.</i>
To the Churchwardens of St. Giles . . . . .	<i>vjs.</i>
To the Preacher at St. Lawrence's that daye . . . . .	<i>xs.</i>
To the Clarke and Sexten of St. Lawrence's . . . . .	<i>vjs.</i> <i>viiij</i> / <i>d.</i>
To the younger Churchwarden . . . . .	<i>iijs.</i> <i>iiij</i> / <i>d.</i>

\* Marked as absent.

Agreed that Mr. Anthony Libbe shall have his legacy of 50*li.* paid at his age of 26 yeares, and if the rent come in.

[p. 244.] Mondaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnor\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye it was agreed that the Cofferer shall paye to Mr. Thomas Turnour in parte of a recompence for and towards his dammadge susteyned by the enterteynment of the Judges at the last Assises iiii*li.*

At this daye the Law-daye was houlden.

Nomina Juratorum.

Willelmus Densill, jurator primus.	
Symo Dye . . .	} affirers, jurati.
Johannes Mapleton . . .	
Johannes Milksoppe . . .	
Johannes Miles	Willelmus Bisley
Ricardus Hussey	Johannes Astell
Johannes Tidder	Obedia Osgood
Johannes Kinge	Johannes Chaundler
Willelmus Goodale	Johannes Watlington
Willelmus Hersey	Johannes Pynnock.
Johannes Knight	

To deliver their verdict the Wensdaye next after St. Bartholmew daye next by 8 of the clocke in the morning.

8<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Maulthus, *postea*.

At this daye Richard Wheler and Caleb Dearinge, tobacco-pipe makers, exhibited a petition against Fardinando Hulinge for enter-teyning a stranger into his house, to make tobacco pipes.

\* Marked as absent.



The stranger was required to bringe certificat of his dwellinge and life, &c.

Andrewe Bowerman is to be bound.

Memorandum to warne.

The Overseers for the poore shalbe warned to accompt uppon Wensdaye next.

William Hamblyn.

Richard Parsons, a butcher

Richard Bagley, noe apprentice } selling flesh.

William Clynton, a forreyner

Robert Spekyn, a forreyner

William Ramnye [?]

Jonathan . . . } strangers selling flesh in the

last Lent at Poore's house.

Henry Creed . . .

John Wooddyer . . . } fleshtasters or searchers, jurati.

[p. 245.] 9<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Thomas Spencer, juratus fuit, quod metuit Henricum Dawson for he hath beaten him and feareth that he will doe him further harme, &c. Prayeth the peace, &c. Omnia certificata.

And further the Constable informeth that Henry Dawson did strike John Beale and John Walker, officers, &c. [Sessio Pacis, *in margin.*]

Memorandum, Henricus Dawson cog-	} quod teneat pacem ver-
novit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i> .	
Georgius Porchmer, junior, manucep'.	
et	
Ricardus Lowbridge, de	} separatim
Readinge, etc.	
	} sub pena
	} <i>xli.</i> per se

Sessionem Pacis, etc.

Henricus Dawson  $\delta$ .

Georg Peorchmur.

Richard Lowbridg  $\Lambda$ .

Mondaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the price of ale and beere to be henceforth sould within this Boroughe was sett and prised as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Dubble beere, the barrell . . . . .	viijs.
Single beere, the barrell . . . . .	iiijjs.

and soe rateablye.

At this daye the Overseers of the poore made their accomptes for the yeare past of all the moneys they taxed, collected and distributed to charitable uses in the Towne, except only St. Giles' parishe for Whitley taxe. Vide librum pro illis.

[p. 246.] 13 Maii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, *Majore*.

Assise. Memorandum. Johannes Money, de Pryours Court, in parochia de Cheiveley, in comitatu Berkes, generosus, cognovit se debere domino Regi *xl*i**. ad prosequendum ad proximas Assizas versus [*blank*] for the steallinge of 9 sheepe of his goodes on Friday night last, beinge the x<sup>th</sup> of Maye, in the evening.

[Signed] John Money.

The confession of John Hobbes, late of Welford, laborer, in comitatu Berk'.

Saith he tooke the ix sheepe in the corner of a comon at a gate, the parishe he knowth [not?], on Fridaye night last, and brought them to Readinge markt the next daye, intending to sell them. Comitted to gaole. Noe companye nor acquayntaunce in the stealling of them.

Memorandum, quod eodem die Wil-	} quod ipse compareat ad	
lelmus Klinton, butcher, cognovit		
se debere domino Regi <i>xx<i>i</i></i> .		
Johannes Clynton, de		
Readinge predicta,	} manuceperunt	
hostler, et		
Thomas Ley, de Read-		
ing predicta, etc.	separatim	} obicientur versus eum
	sub pena	
	<i>xl<i>i</i></i> . per se	

pro killing flesh in the last Lent. [Assises, *in margin.*]

Signum dicti Willelmi Clynton *Q*, John Clynton,  
[Tho. Ley], *W*.

Assise. Memorandum, quod Willel-	} ad testificandum versus
mus Vindge cognovit se debere	
domino Regi <i>vi<i>i</i></i> .	
Henricus Dawson cognovit se debere	} Willelmum Clynton
domino Regi <i>vi<i>i</i></i> . pro se.	

pro et concernens . . . killinge de carne [?].

[Signed] William Vinge, Henry Dawson *W*.

14<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Edward Browne complayneth and hath taken oath that William Wilkes hath threatned to stabbe him. Edward Raymonde's wief testifieth it for truth, &c. [Omnia bene, *in margin.*]

William Wilkes was required to finde sureties.

Memorandum, Willelmus Wilkes cognovit	} quod teneat pacem
se debere domino Regi xxli.	
Humfredus Milles, mer-	
cer, et	
Willelmus Underwood,	} ratim pro pre-
grocer	
	} dicto Willelmo
	} Wilkes in xli.

[Signed] Will' Wilkes, Humfery Milles, Willim Vnderwood.

[p. 247.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman.

Robert Bent, John Blake, Richard Burren.

Memorandum, to call Andrewe Bourman to be bound to rid the straunger come into Ferdinando Hulinge's house. Vide le petition sur le file.

At this daye Richard Godderd and Christofer Blower, Churchwardens of St. Marie's, were called in question, because they had warrant to levye iij*li.* of 3 severall Alehouskeepers for sellinge beere without licences, and havinge levied the money returned the most part thereof to the delinquentes and not to the poore of the parishe; were required to distribute the wholle money to the poore, prout, etc., whiche they promised to doe and to bringe their names to Mr. Mayor to whome they paid the same.

At this daye the Cofferers informed that the gravell digged in Mr. William Maulthus his parte of the Ortes is not serviceable and not fitt for the Bridges as in tyme past it was, &c.

Whereuppon Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Blake, Mr. Thomas Bateman, tenauntes of the other parte of the Ortes, were warned to

\* Marked as absent.

provide and consent that gravell maye be had in their parte of the groundes to serve the use of the Bridges.

Agreed to have gravell digged in Mr. John Blake's parte of the Ortes.

And that the Lane inclosed by Mr. Bateman being the auntient waye in and to the Ortes shalbe made passable.

At this daye the Widowe Hobbes requested to have some allowance towards the keepinge of two of her children borne in St. Giles' parishe, she beinge overburthened with a charge of children, and she is nowe dwellinge in St. Lawrence parishe, a little tyme, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Agreed that the Overseers for the poore in St. Giles' parishe shall provide for these ij children fourthwith.

At this daye a colte of little value, beinge taken as a straye, aboute Michaellmas last, remayning and being kept in Edward Bagley's ground 30 weekes or more, the colt is not worth the charges and the yeare and daye not expired.

[p. 248.] 19<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

[Assises, *in margin*.] Robert Persey complayneth that John Pynnell hath soe beaten his wief that she is like to dye thereuppon, &c. and craveth securitye that he maye aunswere as the lawe requireth, &c.

Memorandum, quod Johannes Pynnell cognovit	} quod ipse compasse debere domino Regi xlii.	} r[ea]t ad proximas Assizas ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc, etc.		
Christoferus Barfoote,			} manuceperunt separatim sub pena xxlii.	
etc. et				} pro predicto Johanne Pynnell, etc.
Robertus Richardson, clothworker				

B. X. R.

Wensdaye, 22 Maii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*.

Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell\*, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther

\* Marked as absent.



Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

At this daye Mistris Stevens, widowe, made request to have the Woolhall at the rent formerly paid for the Hall.

And the Companye present did agree that Mistris Stevens shall have the Woolhall at the olde rent, she payeing ijs. a weeke to Walter Ayres over and above the xij*l*. per annum; or to permitt him the said Walter Ayres to be partener in the Woolhall with her at the old rent of 12*l*.

She is to aunswere this daye senight.

But after it was thought fitt to have but one servaunt for the Hall.

Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendrick, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the Widowe Stevens was referd till the next weeke for her aunswere about the Woolhall.

At this daye I lent the last proclamacion to William Turnour and George Thorne, the searchers, to consider of it the better to doe their offices.

[p. 249.] Mondaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Richard Winche, *egrotus*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the lane or way leading into and from the Ortes, whiche Thomas Bateman lately inclosed, was required of him to laye it open for the service of the Towne, to fetcche gravell for the bridg in the Towne.

\* Marked as absent.

Thomas Bateman saith he hath the lane in his lease from Sir John Blagrove.

Agreed the lane and waye shalbe viewed by vj of the Companye uppon this afternoone at ij of the clocke; and they at the next meetinge to declare what their opinions are concerninge the lane.

At this daye the widowe Stevens had her choice to hold the Woolhall at the old rent of 12*li.* per annum and to paye 2*s.* a weeke to Walter Ayres over and above the rent; or to take 2*s.* a weeke and leave the Woolhall: and at this daye she did accept and desire to hold the Woolhall and to paye 2*s.* a weeke.

Whereuppon it was agreed that she shall hold the Woolhall from Midsomer next for one yeare, at and for the rent of 17*li.* 4*s.* to be paid to the Cofferer quarterly, and she to geve warninge at Ladye-daye next, whether she will hold any longer then one year, yea or noe, and if she will hold longer at that rent she maye.

And as toucheinge Walter Ayres it was then agreed that he shalbe paid i*s.* a weeke by the Cofferer; and on Saturdaye next he shalbe paid iiij*s.* out of the proffittes of the Woolhall, already receaved by Mr. Mayour, and afterwarde*s* i*s.* a weeke by the Cofferer.

At this daye the proclamacion concerninge deceit in drapery should have byn read and order taken for prevention thereof, but nothinge was done there.

Memorandum, to send for Andrewe Bourman to be bound.

[p. 250.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Willyam Kendricke, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, scenescallus.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*.

\* Marked as absent.







At this daye a lease of the garden-plott, nere the Vasterne, was graunted to Sir Frauncis Knollis, to hold for xxj yeares, yeldinge xs. yearlye, and payeing all th'arrerages.

At this daye it was moved that Mr. Oliver Smith of Oxford might renewe his lease of the house nere the sawpittes, to hold for the lives of himself, his wief and Oliver his second sonne; but nothinge was done therein, but that it shall rest and stand as it doth.

At this daye it was agreed that the Cofferers shall viewe the house and groundes at Caversham bridge, and certifie the Companie of the value and estate; and then Mr. Burningham shall have a lease thereof, prout, etc.

Agreed alsoe that the house and landes at Whitchurche shalbe fourthwith viewed and seene by the Cofferers, to th'end the same maye be leased at Michaellmas, or before.

Agreed alsoe that the Bridge at Portman-brooke shalbe viewed on Mondaye next by Mr. Mayour and his Brethren, and then order shalbe taken for the buyldinge or amendinge therof.

At this daye Edward Hamblen compounded for his fredome to use mault-makinge within the Boroughe, and agreed to pay xls. at Michaellmas next, if he staye and dwell in Towne.

At this daye Abraham Watkyns, a feltmaker, agreed for his libertye to use his trade of feltmakinge within the Boroughe, and noe other trade, buyeing or sellinge, and promised to paye xls.

At this daye Richard Bagley, the sonne of William Bagley, late apprentice to Frauncis Hamblen, butcher, 7 yeares by indenture, probatum per eundem magistrum, admissus fuit, etc.

[p. 251.] Wensdaye, 26 Junii, 1633, annoque regni regis Carol Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Willyam Kendricke, *Mayor*.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Richard Winche\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston\*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake\*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeanyns, Robert

\* Marked as absent.



Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*.

At this daye Richard Hollowaye was apoynted to be one of the searchers and overseers of broad-clothes to be made within this Boroughe, and he did then take his oath to doe the office accordinglye, and was then bound by recognizance in 40*li*. to execute the office, &c.

At this daye Richard Hollowaye paid xx*s*. of Edward Richardson's guift towards the mayntenaunce of the Lecture, whiche is to be paid v*jd*. a weeke for an addittament of the Lecturer's allowaunce per W. W[ilmer]. [Memorandum, 21<sup>o</sup> Augusti, I paid that xx*s*. to Mr. Burren, in le Bucher Rewe, per W. W(ilmer), *in margin*.]

At this daye the x*ijd*. a weeke of Mr. Deane's guift whiche John Sturdye late had towarde his relief was geven to James Gunter; and old Shelden to be remembred another tyme.

At this daye the 35*s*. laid out for the yron seales was agreed to be paid by the Cofferer.

Whereas by a former order or bylawe had, made, and confirmed, as the lawe requireth, the penaltye for every tyme that any inhabitant of this Borough should or shall suffer any of his swyne to goe or be in any of the Streetes within this Boroughe, (other then uppon faire-dayes or markett-dayes, and that onely in the places used for sale of swyne,) the forfeiture is and should be x*ijd*. for every tyme.

Nowe at this daye, uppon further consideracion and the better to prevent the great abuse and annoyaunce daily arisinge by reason of swyne goeing in the Streetes and Markett places, it was this daye further ordered and agreed that if any inhabitant within this Boroughe shall hereafter suffer any of his swyne, great or small, to goe or be in the Markett place or in any of the Markett streetes within this Boroughe, uppon any Fridaye, Saturdaye, or Sabaoth daye, in any weeke, he shall forfeit and paye for every tyme, i*s*.

And the better to discover and prevent the fraudes and deceiptes used in draperye within this Borough of Reading, whiche by the Kinge's Majestie's proclamacion is required to be prevented, at this daye it is ordered and agreed by the said Mayor and Burgesses, that all and every the Clothiers making cloth within this Borough shall at all times hereafter bring or cause to be brought in and to the

\* Marked as absent.

roome called the gatchouse, parcell of the great house called the Workhouse, of Mr. John Kendricke's foundation in Readinge, all and every the woollen clothes hereafter to be made for sale within this Borough there to be searched, sealed and measured wett out of the water after the full milling thereof. And after the same clothes being fully and home dryed to be brought to the place appointed to be waighed by the overseers, searchers and sealers appointed, as by the proclamacion is required; and that noe Clothier inhabiting within this Borough shall from henceforth be refractorie or negligent therein at his owne perill.

[p. 252.] Fridaye, the 28th of June, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*.

Warninge to the Clothiers to performe the order after Monday next:—

George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Richard Horsingdon, William Horne, Thomas Smeeth, Richard Stampe, John Chandler [?], Thomas Iremonger, John Chandler, William Cades, William Mathewe, William Shaddocke, Richard Wheeler, Thomas Symes, Hugh Smith, David Elkes, Nathaniell Chandler.

Wensdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> die Julii, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. Richard Smythe made composition for a gutter runinge into the Streete, whiche is anoyaunt [?] etc.; *ijd.* per annum shalbe paid to the Cofferer.

At this daye Henry Tubbe requested leave to erect a little barne in Carryn Lane, to house a parcell of flaxe he hath groweing nere the Towne; the better to furnishe the House of Correccion with worke, &c.: graunted, uppon condicion that it shall not be made any dwellinge place for any person. The Cofferer shall allowe and sett out the ground.

\* Marked as absent.

9<sup>o</sup> Julii. Sessions at Abingdon.

Memorandum, Thomas Filpe, wever, shalbe workman with Peter Clarke in the roome and place of Frauncis Paise, excluded for misdemenour, 17<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1633.

[p. 253.] Wensdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. William Malthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

The Assizes shalbe holden here in Readinge uppon Mondaye next, beinge the 22th daye of this Julye.

And at this daye it was agreed that preparacion shalbe made for the interteynment of the Judges and Clerkes as followeth :

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's house, as formerly, &c., (he beinge noe wayes dampnified thereby.)

The Clarkes of the Assizes at Mr. Blake's and Mr. Bateman's, as heretofore.

Mr. Thomas Turnour shall provide the beere and he shalbe paid for it.

i gallon and dimid. of sacke.

ij gallons of Clarett.                      postea.

i mutton.

i veale.

et duobus Scenescallis, xs. a peice.

The Judges' horses at Edward Blaggrave's.

The Clarkes' of the Assizes horses at Edward Blaggrave's, as formerly.

Memorandum, to warne the Inholders to provide oates : factum per Magistrum Majorem.

Fridaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.



iiij*d.* per annum shalbe paid to the Cofferer for the standinge of the signe-post at the Katherine Wheele.

ij*d.* per annum shalbe paid by Mr. Richard Smith for his gutter in-to the Streete, per compositionem.

vj*d.* per annum shalbe paid by Richard Dearinge for an incroachment of foote in the Streete, &c.

[p. 254.] 20 Julii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

John Bramer, of North Streete, yeoman, complayneth that uppon Saturdaye last in the Markett place, beinge then selling of corne, his purse was taken out of his hose, with 19*s.* 7*d.* in money, and he suspecteth a younge woman that was lingering about him and cheapening of his corne. [Assises, *in margin*.]

Th'examination of Agnes Etherington, the wief of Randall Etherington, of Chauncery Lane, in London, silke-wever.

Saith she came from Nottingham to seeke her mother's brother at Newberye, John Robinson, a . . . . elli, and soe to Newberye on Saturday last into this Towne without any company, of purpose to buy herself a band, and then to goe towards London to seeke her husband, not above 5 myles a daye. And beinge demaunded the cause of her beinge on the Markett place cheapeninge corne, and being demanded where she had the xx*s.* vij*d.* ob. found about her in her purse, saith she brought it from home with her.

And being demaunded what the manne's name is that was in her company in the Markett place at that tyme, she saith she hath noe acquayntaunce with man or woman in this Towne, and denyeth the taking of the purse and money from the person of the man, and denyeth that she did not se the man.

Samuell Johnson, Anne Lane, the wief of John Lane, witnesses to the familiaritye and wordes used betwixt her and a stranger man and a woman. Comitted to gaole.

Memorandum, quod Johannes Breamer cognovit se debere domino Regi xli*i.* quod ipse prosequatur ad proximas Assissas, &c.

John Bremore.

Eodem die. Th'examination of Andrew Ley, of London, a taylour, in Clerkenwell parishe, whiche was the man seene in her company in the Markett place, where the purse was taken upp.

Saith he came from London on Thursday last was senight, iiij<sup>or</sup> myles that night and to Maydenhead the next day, and to Readinge on Saturday, the 13th of this July, about 12 a clocke, intending to goe to Froyle, in comit. Southampt., where he was borne; noe companye, noe acquayntaunce in this Towne; yet denyeth not his beinge in Oxford the Tuesdaye at the Act, but denyeth to aunswere further, &c. and denyeth his beinge at Henley, which can be proved, &c.

Anna Lane did see him and the woman iij tymes together, about x a clocke and after, &c., which he and she both denied. To the House of Correccion.

[p. 255.] 29<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

The examynacion of Anne Holmes, widowe.

Beinge in question concerninge Cicely Dolman, saith that about 3 yeares past, she lyeinge sicke in . . ., there was a table cloth, table napkyn and j neck cloth brought into her house by Cisley Dolman, whoe lodged with her almost 9 yeares, and that of late she and this Examinee fell out, in malice, she used wordis that these goodes were Mr. Okham's goodes; but she nowe denyeth the speaking of the wordes, and is sorrye for the speaking of the wordes.

Anne Holmes, vidua, cognovit se	} quod ipsa Anna compareat	
debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .		ad proximam Sessionem
Johannes Knottes, de		Pacis ad respondendum
Readinge, laboror		ad omnia que, etc. et quod
Robertus Feild, de		interim se bene geret,
Reading, laborer	} pena x <i>li</i> .	etc.

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[p. 256.] Wensdaye, the last of July, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knt.\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*,

\* Marked as absent.



Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*.

At this daye Mr. Walter Knight delivered to Mr. Mayour the ij<sup>o</sup> quieti in his handes for the Hall, to be put in Chest, but then for some causes redelivered to Mr. Knight.

The rest of that dayes busynes in the Hall was about amercia-mentes.

8<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, *Majore*.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis, *in margin.*] Margaret Stevens, widowe, complayneth that Marie Winckles, the wife of William Winckles, of Reading, feltmaker, hath divers tymes abused her by using verie foule languages against her, viz<sup>t</sup>, where hadest thou this fine gowne uppon thy backe, it would make a fine shewe uppon the gallows, and other malicious wordes.

Willelmus Winckles cogno-	}	quod si prefata Maria compareat ad
vit se debere domino		proximam generalem Sessionem
Regi xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia,
Thomas Froome, de, etc.		etc., et interim se bene geret, etc.
manucep'. sub pena	}	et precipue versus predictam
xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		Margaretam Stevens, etc.

Willelm Winckles  his marke.

Thomas Froom.

per mediacionem Magistri Bunberye. . . .

12<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 257.] Wensdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye Mr. Walter Knight brought in and delivered the ij<sup>o</sup> quieti he had in his handes for and concerninge a seisure against the Towne, in the Exchequour.

At this daye Houmfrey Mylles made newe complaint against his apprentice, John Puckridge, alledgeinge he of late hath absented

\* Marked as absent.

himself from his service unlawfully by night and daye to his great hurt and damage ; and that the said Puckridge hath dealt deceitfully with him, and spent and wasted much of his goodes in tavernes and alehouses, in excesse of apparrell, buyeing of horse or geldinges, of great price, with his master's money, without his master's privyete, and keping the horse secretly at great charges to ride at his pleasure, and divers other wayes misdemeaned himself towards his master.

Whereuppon the said apprentice was convented and for answere to the complaynt of his said master, cannot altogether denye his master's complaynt, but saith that he borrowed the money whiche he paid for the geldinge of one Gealfrey, Mr. Thackham's man, &c.

Whereuppon the said Mayor and the said Hedburgesses his Brethren, by and with the assistaunce of the said Sir Edward Clerke, havinge at large heard and examyned the complaynt, reasons and allegacions, aswell of the said Master as of the said Apprentice, and at their earnest request, did with one consent order that the said Apprentice shall from hencefourth stand and be discharged of his apprenticeship against his said Master of all the rest and residue of his terme and service of apprenticeship to come, (the indenture of apprenticeship or anythinge therein conteyned to the contrarye notwithstandinge.)

[p. 258.] Fridaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Mr. Saunders, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman \*.

At this daye it was informed that Thomas Spencer, vitler, still keepeth ill rule in his house, for uppon the last Saboth daye there was at cardes and drinking in his house at the least ten poore men : per Constable Johnson. Forbidden to vittell and shalbe suppress by warrant.

Henry Dotchin, a stacioner, requested leave to use his trade of a stacioner in this Towne : not denied. Referd to the Quarter-daye for his libertye.

At this daye Thomas Richardes, shoemaker, complayned that Symon Cane, a vitler, did receive and permitt his apprentice, Thomas Hart, to be in his house nightes and dayes, untill he had

\* Marked as absent.

spent xs. viij*d*. of his Master's money. And when searche was made for the apprentice he was denied and shutt up in a cupbord, &c. Symon Cane said he was ignorant of it. Supprest from keepinge vitlinge, and willed to take downe his signe this afternoone : or ells it shalbe beaten downe.

John Smith, a vitler without licens, shall paye the xxs. forfeited to the poore. Confest per se. Mr. Harrison, b. [brewer?]

Edward Symons shalbe bound over for abusinge the Constable and Officers, and paye the xxs. forfeited to the poore for keepinge alehouse without licence. Paid to [*sic*].

Memorandum, an order for Peter Lane and Mary Hurley for the bastard childe, a boy.

xvj<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

<p>[Ad Sessionem Pacis, <i>in margin.</i>] Edwardus Symons cognovit se debere domino Regi xx<i>li</i>. Jeronimus Pococke et Henricus Dawson, de Readinge, taylor, manuceperunt pro ipso separ- atim in x<i>li</i>.</p>	}	<p>quod ipse compareat ad proxi- mam Sessionem Pacis ad re- spondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret versus dominum Regem et cunctum popu- lum, etc. et precipue versus Constabularium, etc.</p>
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[Signed] Edward Symonds, Jerome Pococke, Henry Dawson.

Mr. Gibbyns did serve the beere, and nowe Walter Densell doth serve the beere.

18<sup>o</sup> Augusti. Tomson Goswell, spinster, complayneth that Steven Chesterman, a bargeman, hath begotten her with childe.

[p. 259.] 19<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1633.

xxs. was paid for the poore of St. Giles' parishe, forfeited by Edward Symons for kepinge alehouse without licence, whiche was paid to Mr. John Blake, the senior Churchwarden at Mr. Mayour's.

20 Augusti, 1633 <sup>5</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. John Saunders, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

<sup>5</sup> *There is written and crossed out here:—I lent Mr. Gunter the coppie of Mr. Blagrove's Will. Receaved back agayne.*

William Everedes wief was willed to take downe her signe, and to desist from vitlinge in that place.

Thomas Harrison, br.



The Widowe Grey was alsoe forbidden to sell beere. Widowe Grove, b.

Then an order was made concerninge the keepinge of a bastard childe begotten by Peter Lane on the body of Mary Hurley. And then it was agreed by Mr. Thomas Turnour and by Richard Stampe and Hugh Smith, then twoe of ye Overseers of ye poore of St. Giles' parish, that in case Peter Lane should fayle to performe the order in not paying of 3*d.* a weeke that the same should be paid by the Overseers of the poore of St. Giles' parish, whoe were suiters to Mr. Maior in this behalf, the said Peter Lane having a charge of children borne in St. Giles' parish.

22 Augusti, 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

John Joseph, alias Johnson, complayneth that John Browne, cardmaker, hath muche abused him in scandalous wordes, viz<sup>t</sup>. thou hast done that with the handes, whiche will breake the necke, &c.

[Assise proxime, <i>in margin</i> .	} quod ipse prefatus Johannes Browne compareat ad proximas Assizas tenendas in comitatu predicto, et quod interim se bene geret versus dominum Regem et cunctum populum, etc. et precipue versus Johannem Joseph, etc.
Johannes Browne cognovit	
se debere domino Regi	
xx <i>li</i> .	
Franciscus Payne et Daniel Browne, de, etc., manucep'. separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> .	

John Browne , Francis Payne,  
Danyell Browne .

[p. 260.] Wensday, 28 Augusti, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

\* Marked as absent.

Whereas William Wilmer hath in his handes received of Mr. Edward Wollascott 14*li.* in part of the arr(erages) due to the poore of the 7 parishes, &c., at this daye it was ordered, that he shall paye to Walter Knight the bill of charges he expended about the sute against Mr. Wollascott in the behaulf of the 7 parishes, viz<sup>t</sup>. x*li.* vjs. ij*d.*

Received by mee Walter Knight of the said Mr. William Wilmer the abovementioned some of tenne pounds, sixe shillings and two pence. Wa : Knight <sup>6</sup>.

Memorandum, to call for the coppye of the decree and other orders in Mr. Walter Knightes handes to be kept in the Hall charge, prout, etc.

29<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, *Majore*.

Th'accomptes for parte of the amerciamentes for Michaelmas law-daye were had and made by Frauncis Thackham.

Whereof was received of him for

amerciamentes . . . . . v*li.* . . . . . xiijs. . . . . iiij*d.*

Received of him more of the forfeitures for hogges . . . . .

xxvijs.

Received for parte to this daye 6. 3. 5

7 . . . . . 1 . . . . . 4

Whereof paid the hogherdes in parte

iijs. . . . . iiij*d.*

Item paid for the amerciament rolle .

xvs.

Item paid to the Clarke of the }  
Markett and his man . . . . . }

xlv*s.*

Item more spent in the George uppon freindes there . . . . .

xij*d.*

<sup>7</sup> Received more for the Clarke of the Markett . . . . .

x*li.* . . . . . xs.

Received more for amerciamentes and hogges . . . . .

xxxvijs. . . . . vij*d.*

Whereof paid the hogherdes extra .

xx*d.*

Item more for all the yeare .

viijs. & iiij*s.*

Item paid the Aletasters . . . . .

xx*s.*

Item allowed for expences in collecting] . . . . .

xijs. . . . . iiij*d.*

Item paid Francis Thackham . . . . .

xijs.

<sup>6</sup> The receipt in his own handwriting.

<sup>7</sup> 27 Septembr', in margin.

Whereof 5*li.* 10*s.* 5*d.*

Item paid the Cofferer for amerciamentes of the Clarke of the Markett (3 barrels of beare at Lent Assizes discharged of all fees and duties)	vij <i>li</i> .	} 11 <i>li</i> .
Item paid him for the Law-day amer- ciamentes	iiij <i>li</i> . xs.	
Item paid for amerciamentes for hogges .	xs.	
Item paid constable Johnson which he paid in relief	vij <i>s</i> . iiij <i>d</i> .	

<sup>7</sup> The next two entries are scribbled through and illegible.

Postea, 4<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour elect*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

A deputation shalbe made to Arthur Liford to take the tolle of all corne and grayne, &c.

At this daye it was resolved and agreed that the Cage shalbe buylt and sett uppon the void ground neere the pissinge place late sett uppe for the free-schoole boyes. Vide le file.

[p. 262.] Wensdaye, xj<sup>o</sup> September, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward \*Clerke, Knight, Mr. Robert Maulthus, *elect* \*, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

John Saunders, Esq., Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtice \*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

Confession [of] Lodwicke Bowyer, servant to the Duke of Lenox.

Saith uppon his examinacion before Mr. Maiour, that on Thursday night last Sir Thoby Mathewe dyed at Gravesend, and upon his death-bed delivered certen lettres (written to the Pope) to the Deane of Rochester, and the Deane brought the lettres, together with 6 Bishoppes to the Kinge's Majestie; and that yesterday morninge he came from Whitehall about two of the clocke, and came to Fulham, and at Fulham, Thomas Newton, William Finsbury and George Price, three of the guard, told him the said Lodowicke that Dr. Laud, nowe Archbishophe of Canterburye, was confyned by his Majestie's direccion to the Bishopp's house at Fulham for some matters that were discovered in the said lettres written to the Pope.

By me, Lodowicke Bowyer.

\* Marked as absent.



Commended to the keepinge of constable Symes untill Mr. Mayour should further advise of the busynes.

At this daye it was agreed that accomptes of the employment and increase of the 3600*li.* stocke, beinge the remayne of Mr. John Kendricke's guift of 7500*li.*, shalbe yerely made openly in the Hall, when the Mayour goeth out of his office, as he doth of the charitable uses for his yeare ; and that the undertakers shall from hencefourth yerely paye in the one haulf of th' increase at Michaelmas, and the other haulfe at Ladye-daye, to th' intent the officers maye be paid their wages and the reparacions of the house and tooles the better preserved, &c.

At this daye alsoe it was agreed that Frauncis Thackham shalbe Counter-keeper in the roome and place of Richard Atwater, ca', &c.

[p. 263.] Fridaye, 13<sup>o</sup> die Septembris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the said Lodowick Bowyer, by direccions of lettres from Right Honourable Sir Frauncis Wyndebank, &c. was agayne examyned, and the witnesses and constable that accused him.

All which, subscribed by all the said 3 Justices and the said Lodowick Bowyer, were delivered into the charge of the messenger to be conveyed as by the said lettres is required.

Mondaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the undertakers had warninge to paye the increase of the stocke for haulfe a yeare at Michaelmas next.

Memorandum, to call John Creed.

\* Marked as absent.

18<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1633.

Mr. William Kendrick, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 264.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 20 Septembris, 1633, ac 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mayor elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Willyam Maulthus, having 2 lives in his leases of the Ortes, made request to have his leases renued for 3 lives, and to chaunge one of the lives in beinge. Not denyed, but the Cofferers shall first viewe the worth thereof and certifie the value thereof.

At this daye it was agreed that the fee-simple of Mr. Gunter's 7 tenementes of the yearly rent of 13*/i*. shalbe accepted in lieu of the rent-charge of 11*/i*., . . . and the assurance to be made prout per consilium, etc.

Mr. Gunter desired to have the disposing of 20s. per annum, but not allowed further then for his lief.

At this daye a lease of the hous and groundes at Caversham bridge was graunted to Peter Burningham for xxj yeares at vi*/i*. xs. rent, &c., provided noe more to be inclosed on the right hand then is.

\* Marked as absent.

John Creede's lease shalbe filled for 3 lives, but the Cofferers shall first viewe the value, &c.

The 100*li.* of Sir Thomas White's guift due at Michaelmas next was this daye graunted to iiij<sup>or</sup> other young and poore Clothiers. Vide le file.

Memorandum, Willyam Moore's aunswere is expected on Wensdaye next, and his lease then to be seene, for the Shambles, &c.

[p. 265.] Mondaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1633, ac 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1633.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerk, Knight, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

The Kinge's Majesties lettres beinge had in remembraunce to be in all thinges obeyed, concerninge the Shambles, &c.

At this daye William Moore appeared to answeere his Shambles busynes; and it was then agreed he shall have ij lives added to the estate, prout, etc. and to make the best of the materialls, &c. he yelding upp the lease in beinge, &c. and pulling downe the Shambles and all the building by All Saintes next. At the former rent in his father's lease, with like condicions, prout in le lease, &c.

John Humfris shall have his licence sealed by Sir Francis Knowllis, beg . . . , he bringinge sureties.

[Pages 266 and 267 are blank.]

[p. 268.] Mondaye, 30th of September, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. William Kendricke, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

\* Marked as absent.

## Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenyns \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said Mr. Robert Maulthus, the newe elected Mayour, by direccions of the Chartre, in the presens of his predecessour Mayour and the other Burgesses, did take the

1. Oath of Supremacye.
2. Oath of Mayour and Justis of Peace.
3. Oath of Clarke of the Markett.

And presently afterwarde the said Mayour by and with the consent of his Brethren did then name and apoynt Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Richard Burren	}	Cofferers.
John Jenyns		
George Wooldridge	}	Constables, jurati.
Christofer Blower		
John Hatt and	}	gardiani in Alta guarda, jurati.
William Bisley		
John Fellowe	}	gardiani in Minster guard', jurati.
William Smith		
Steven Remnant	}	gardiani in London gard', jurati.
George Wilder		
Thomas Wilder	}	gardiani in Veteri garda, jurati.
Richard Westwood		
Peter Horne	}	gardiani in Nova garda, jurati.
Edward Browne		

At this daye and tyme the said late Mayour made his accomptes openly in the Hall of all stockes of money, rentes and revenues geven to charitable uses in this Corporacion, whiche came into his handes or charge in the tyme of his Mayoraltye, as by the bill of particulers appeareth.

\* Marked as absent.

And likewise the said late Mayour made publicke declaracion of the handlinge and employment of the comon stocke of 3600*li.* of Mr. John Kendricke's guift and of the increase thereof: as maye appeare by the file and booke, &c. ; this is the first tyme of publishinge those accomptes.

Memorandum, at this daye Mr. Mayour made it knowne that Sir Frauncis Knolles will not accept of the lease graunted him at Midsomer quarter-daye of the garden nere the Vasterne, at xs. rent, for xxj yeares, but was discontent. Whereuppon the Company with one assent agreed that, if he will not accept of it as was agreed, the Cofferers shall dispose otherwise of the garden, &c.

[p. 269.] Fridaye, iiij<sup>to</sup> Octobris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

Mr. Robert Dye, jurator primus.

Mr. Peter Burning-		Andrewe Wright	
ham <sup>9</sup>		Richard Selye	
Edward Johnson (5)		Lawrence Creed	
Humfrey Evens (4)		John Cule	
David Elkes (3)	} jurati.	Thomas Phips	} jurati.
Thomas Smeeth		Robert Evens	
Richard Holloway		Robert Wheeler	
Frauncis Plommer		William Kinge	
Walter Filmer			

Memorandum. Nonnulli affirer' ad hoc tempus jurati, nec die ad respondendum vere dict' dat' jurator'.

At this daye the Lawdaye was holden for this Boroughe.

Edward Johnson	} Constables present, prout, etc.
Thomas Symes	
All the Wardens	} present, prout, etc.
in eache Ward	

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>9</sup> jur', to each juror.

John Chandler	} Clothiers	{ sworn Overseers and Searchers of Cloth made within this Borough for one yeare, from All Saintes next.
Richard Alright		
William Wilder		
Johannes Chandler cognovit pro se debere dom. Regi		xli.
Ricardus Alright cognovit pro se debere		xli.
Willelmus Wylder cognovit pro se debere		xli.
William Sedburys	} Sealers of Lether.	
Henry Osborne		
Hughe Grantham		
Henry Creed	} Searchers of Fleshe.	
John Woodyer		
Barton Turnour		
[blank]	} Fishetasters.	
William Price		
William Griffin		
Thomas Barnes	} Haywardes.	
William Price		
Christofer Grey		

[p. 270.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye a lease of the garden plott lyeinge under or neere the Hall windore, in the occupacion of Richard Atwater, was by John Jeninges graunted to the Mayour and Burgesses, to hold from Michaellmas last for all the terme and tyme he hath therein depending uppon his 3 lives, at and for the yerely rent of xiiij<sup>s</sup>. payable haulfe yerely, viz<sup>t</sup>. vijs. haulf yearly, &c.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Jeninges shall goe to Mr. Richard Libbe about the leasinge of the house and landes at Whit-churche, and if Mr. Libbe will accept of it at the rent formerly paid, he to have it, otherwise to lett it to some other of the parishe, that will take it, &c.

Afterwardes, viz<sup>t</sup>, 4 Decembris, John Jeninges returned his aunswere concerninge the premisses, and said he was with Mr. Libbe, and saith with Mr. Libbe's good likinge. He left a lease of the tenement and landes at Whitchurche to John Listed, for xxj yeares,

\* Marked as absent.

at 50s. rent per annum. And doth allowe the poore man the house and backside rent free duringe the terme.

At this daye, accordinge to the former orders and proceedinges of Richard Atwater's leavinge the Counter and office of Subbailieffe, &c., it was agreed that Richard Atwater shall have *iiij*℥. per annum, viz<sup>t</sup>. *xxs.* every quarter, duringe his lief, paid him by Frauncis Thackham, provided alwayes if he shall faile and doe not paye the *xxs.* quarterlye, another shall have the offices, which shall pay Richard Atwater, &c.

And the better to enable the said Francis Thackham to performe that payment of *xxs.* the quarter, and to doe his service to the said Mayour and Burgesses, he givinge bond of a hundred poundes, with *ij* sureties, viz<sup>t</sup>., Thomas Thackham and William Kirbye, to performe, &c., he shall have the kepinge of the Counter, and prisoners there, &c.; the kepinge of the Hall, &c.; the benefitt of the *iiij*° Faies at *iiij*℥. rent per annum, &c.; the office of Subbailieff, &c.; the use of all the lowe roomes under the Hall, which Richard Atwater had at the rent of *xxvjs. viij*℥. per annum; the use of the garden at *xiijs.* per annum; the collectinge of the Quitrentes, &c. and the gatheringe of the Amerciamentes; and the warninge of all Jurours, aswell for the Kinge's service within the Borough, as for the Court, &c.

At this daye it was agreed that the Widowe Lampier, docinge good in the worke-house, shall contynue in the roomes she had, without any rent payeing therefore; and she shall have *iiij*℥. per annum paid her; but not woodd nor cardes, at the house charge; she shall fetch in her worke and provide cardes herself, if she will any have.

At this daye alsoe it was agreed that in regard of the Widowe Maulthus her povertie, the Cofferer shall paye her the *iijs.* weekly, or provide she shalbe soe paid.

19<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore.*

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 271.] Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour.* Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr.

\* Marked as absent.



Christofer Turnour. Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

At this daye the lettres of the Lordes of his Majesties most honourable Privye Counsell, directed to the Mayour and Burgesses, were openly read, and they concerned the retayling of Tobacco in this Corporacion by those persons licensed, &c. and the forbiddinge of all others unlicensed, &c. All those licensed shalbe warned to appeare on this daye senight. The lettres in Mr. Mayour's handes.

Frauncis Thackham was willed to procure his brother Thomas Thackham to seale, &c.

Both the other Sergeantes were warned to provide newe sureties in regard their former sureties were dead.

William Gandye was convented and questioned about the payment of th' increase money, &c. Vide librum illum, etc.

26<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Mr. Richard Bunbury	} jurati.
George Wilder	
Edward Hawkyns	
John Hatt	

George Wilder, John Hatt, Edward Hall saith that George Messenger, of Henley, did in their hearing sweare (by God) in Mr. Constable's hall in St. Lawrence parishe: and (by God) in Minster strete as they were coming to Mr. Mayour: and in Mr. Mayour's house 6 oathes before Mr. Mayour, and being reproved said he would sweare.

And that Clement Hedington, of Hambleden, in com. Bucks, in the Markett place in Reading, did swere (by God) in the Market place once, and twice in Mr. Constable's hall.

They denyed to paye the forfeitures, and haveinge noe distresses to levye the same were sett in the stockes 3 howers, as the law requireth.

[p. 272.] Wensdaye, 30 Octobris, 1633, ac 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, *absens*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, *egrotus*, Mr. Roger

\* Marked as absent.

Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

1. At this daye the Lettres of the Lordes of his Majestie's most honourable Privye Counsell to the said Mayour and Burgesses directed, for and concerninge the retaylinge of Tobacco within this Corporacion, were agayne openly read in the hearinge of the Apothecaries and Grocers apoynted to sell or deliver Tobacco by retayle in this Corporacion.

2. And it was then agreed that to geve publicke notice of their names, according to the direccions of the said lettres. The names of those persons allowed shalbe faire written and sett uppon severall postes in the Towne, with wordes of prohibition that none other shalbe suffred to sell any Tobacco, but onely those men allowed within this Boroughe.

3. And then alsoe the Kinges Majestie's proclamacion lately come to the said Mayour's handes for and concerninge the sellinge and retayling of Tobacco in this Corporacion were likewise openly read, &c.

4. At this daye alsoe Mr. William Kendricke brought in and delivered j quietus for the fee-farme of the Boroughe for the yeare he was Mayour, and the other j quietus for the yeare Mr. Newman was Mayour, whiche was delivered to Mr. Kendricke for direccions.

5. At this daye alsoe, question was made by the Constables in what stockes swearers and drunkerdes, and alehouse haunTERS shalbe putt into, whether private or publicke ; and for the Constables to have warrantes to punishe those offendours, (dormant). Was referd untill the Counsell of the Towne shalbe at home to advise therein.

6. Mr. Burren, the Cofferer, was willed to remove the Cucking stole and Whippinge post, either to the well nere Chappell Barne, or ells to the Sawpittes, as he should thinke best and most fitt.

At this daye some speaches were had of William Gandye concerninge the payment of 6*li*. and a debt to him of 36*li*. . . . &c.

[p. 273.] Wensdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr.

\* Marked as absent.

Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Arthur Curtys, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye William Moore was agayne questioned for not taking downe the Shambles, accordinge to bargayne. His aunswere was that his workmen and he could not agree ; but withall promised to goe in hand with pullinge them downe on Mondaye next, hopeth to finishe them by Saturday come senight.

Whereuppon it was graunted to him liberty to sett stalles as farr as he can uppon the hill ; and to have as muche gravell in the Ortes as he will fetche . . . at the hill ; and libertye to sett a faire raile and postes at the further end of the hill to keepe of the beast and cartes.

As touchinge the thrumbes of the Spanishe cloth, vide illum librum. Memorandum, to warne the undertakers.

At this daye six quieti for the fee-farme, viz<sup>t</sup>. the iiij<sup>th</sup> last yeares, and two others whiche had byn shewed in the Exchequour to staye the Sheriffe's proceedinges against the Corporacion, were laid in and lockt in the old chest : per W. W[ilmer].

7<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Mary, the wief of Peter Francis did take her oath that she is afraid that her husband will kill her, &c. and prayed that order may be taken with him that she maye live in safetye of her lief.

Witnesses :—Thomas Brockett, Katherine his wief, Elizabeth, Irlande, servant to Peter Francis, Jane Fillips, late his servant, and Henry Walker.

For lacke of sufficient suerties Peter Frauncis was sent to the gaol.

[p. 274.] Wensdaye, 20 Novembris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye some speaches were had with John Barnard, of Wargrove, pynmaker, concerninge his dwelling and settinge poore boyes on worke in Readinge.

His demaundes.

To have a convenyent roome for his people to worke in; and convenyent lodgeinge roomes for him and his familie, rent free.

What benefitt to the Towne.

He will enterteyne and sett in worke in his busynes to the number of x or more poore boyes of the Towne for 3 yeares or more.

And towardes their mayntenaunce he will geve them the first yere xij*d*. a week, the 2 yere xvj*d*. a weeke, the 3 yere xx*d*. a weeke, and what theyerne over and above.

The boyes shalbe ix yeares of age and upwardes, every of them, &c.

He will take none of them apprentice, nor find them meat, drinke, apparell nor lodging.

The howers to worke shalbe: in the Summer, from 6 to 8, in the Winter, from 7 to 7, alloweing every daye j hower for their dynners.

Uppon haulf a yeaere's warninge on either side to remove and leave.

This shalbe considered on and aunswered in due tyme before the tide, &c.

22<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso.

Ellen Duffe, spinster, complaineth that Edward Tompson, late of Readinge, servant to Thomas Harrison, hath begotten her with childe; he did lye with her in her father's house, about Whitsontide last . . .

Edward Tompson.

Saith he lived in Readinge with Mr. Thomas Harrison about Candlemas last, and had acquayntance with Ellen Duffe about Easter last, in waye of mariage, and did intend to have her to his wief, and divers tymes he was with her at her father's house, but never did lodge with her, nor had any carnall knowledge of her bodye. For lacke of sureties comitted to the Gaole.

27 Novembris, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> Caroli, etc. Coram Roberto Maulthus, *Majore*, Nicholao Gunter, Christofero Turnor, Willelmo Kendricke.

Then it was<sup>1</sup> ordered that William White, clothier, shall receive againe into his service as an apprentice, according to the indenture of apprentichood, his servant Peter Sanson.

Stephen Faithorne, a journey-man weaver, is admitted to sitt in worke in the roome and place of one William Smith, late removed.

[p. 275.] Wensdaye, the iiijth of December, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Cofferers.

At this daye the Hall accomptes were geven by Richard Burren, the said Cofferer, for the last yeare ended at Michaellmas last, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Th' Accomptant was charged with the Rentes certen by him receaved, and due and payable by the Rent rolle in the last yere as maye appeare . . . . .

			<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
			221	04	11
Item, with old quit-rentes . . . . .			000	12	02
Item, with compounded encrochmentes and the paymentes therefore . . . . .	}		001	04	10
Item, with the receipt of divers uncerten dutyes growen payable in the last yeare . . . . .			050	02	02
			273	04	01
Summa totalis			273	04	01
Paymentes and Expences in that yeare, viz <sup>t</sup> .					
Ordinary paymentes . . . . .			146	10	00
Extraordinarye paymentes . . . . .			086	11	04
Summa totalis			233	01	04
Beinge deducted, rest . . . . .			039	02	9 [sic]

\* Then it is was, MS.

\* Marked as absent.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Whereof allowe that unpaid by Richard Atwater	5	6	8
Item, more rent lost at Huddles . . .	0	15	0
Item, more unpaid for the Woolhall by } Widowe Maulthus . . . . }	3	0	0
	9	1	8
There restes due to the Hall . . . .	30	1	1

Ad Sessionem Pacis.

5<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso.

Edward Tompson cognovit se debere domino Regi x*li.*; Christofer Duffe v*li.*; Lucas<sup>2</sup> Jenever v*li.* quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, ad, etc. Christofer Duffe.

Memorandum, to warne against the meetinge daye next:

Sir Frauncis Knollis, Jun., Mr. Thomas Taylour's lease, Joseph East, or Ed. Slarke, William Turnour, butcher, The heires of Mr. A. Knight, Thomas Richardes, Mother Redcap's house, Roger Walker, Henry Frewyn, Jun., Richard Levins, Edward Hamblen, Robert James, Thomas Bateman, Edward Shippey, The gunpowder.

Memorandum, the Jurye.

[p. 276.] 12<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

It appeareth by lettres from Mr. Mayour of Newberye that Christofer Littleworth, a journeyman, workinge in Readinge, is charged by Alice Brantt, spinster, that he hath begotten her with childe. Was required to finde sureties.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Memorandum, quod predictus Christoferus Littleworth cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li.* quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum.

Francis Norrys de Newbery predicto, wever, manucepit pro ipso sub pena x*li.* quod predictus Christofer compareat, etc.

Signum ~~ae~~ dicti Christoferi. Francis Norris.

Memorandum, Mr. Mayour of Newberye his lettre in Mr. Mayour's handes.

16<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, Clarke of the Market within the Boroughe, by and with the assistaunce and vieve of the Jurours for the Lawdaye, viz<sup>t</sup>.,

<sup>2</sup> Lucas, MS.



Robert Dye	} did seale and size divers bushells, yards, ells, peckes and gallons in the Towne Hall, by and according to the stan- derdes, &c.
David Elkes	
Andrew Wright	
Lawrence Creed	
• Richard Selie	
Thomas Fipps	
William Kinge	
Walter Fynmore	

[p. 277.] Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke.

iiij*li*. of Mr. Kemishe's guift was this day distributed to 24 poore householders in this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

9 in St. Giles' parishe, 3*s*. 4*d*. a peice, magistro Maiour.

8 in St. Lawrence parishe, Mr. . . .

7 in St. Marye parishe, magistro Maiour.

iiij*li*. of Mr. Edward Hamblen's gift was this daye distributed to x poore men, whereof ij were buchers :

4 in St. Lawrence.

3 in St. Marye parishe.

3 in St. Giles' parishe.

x shirtes and smockes of Mr. James Pococke's guift were this daye distributed, viz<sup>t</sup>.

4 in St. Giles' parishe.

3 in St. Lawrence parishe.

3 in St. Marye parishe.

xx*s*. greed to be had of Edward Hamblen for his freedome to make malt, whereof paid for inrolling i*s*. v*d*.

[p. 278.] Quarter daye, Fridaye, 20 Decembris, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Steward.

\* Marked as absent.



## Capitall Burgisses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. William Kendricke.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire, Robert Bent, William Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston \*, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. William Maulthus requested to renue his two leases of his two partes of the Ortes, to make them to hold for 3 lives, viz<sup>t</sup>., his owne lief and his ij sonnes', at the old rent, viz<sup>t</sup>. the one at 6*li*. 10*s*. and the other at 4*li*. per annum.

And at this daye it was agreed that he shall renue both his said leases accordinge to his request, at the old rent nowe he payeth, and under the like exceptions, reservacions, covenants and condicions as in the former leases, he payeinge 50*li*. fine at th'enseallinge, but he shalbe acquitted of the herriott due, viz<sup>t</sup>. 5*li*. 5*s*. due at his daughter Anne's deceasse, &c.

At this daye alsoe a lease of the shoppe, parcell of the newe shambles, late in the tenure of William Sone, butcher, was graunted to William Turnor, butcher, for xxj yeares, at the former rent of x*li*s. per annum, he payeinge 5*li*. for a fine at th'enseallinge and keepinge reparacions, &c.

The petition of Elizabeth, late the wife of Henry Moore, in the behaulfe of her daughter and herselfe, in regard of William Moore's absence, was referd untill another meetinge.

Barton Turnour's petition was referd untill the next meeting.

Mr. Skoopham concerninge the encrochement shalbe heard the next quarter-daye.

Joseph East oweinge 9*li*. for rent promised to paye 3*li*. to the Cofferer presentlye, 40*s*. at Shrove tide next, and the rest some and some.

The freemen Blacksmithes complayned against one Lawrence Coxed, a forreyner, for usinge his trade of a Smith within the Boroughe without beinge convented ; did not denye it but . . . was forbidden, and wa . . . to leavye v*li*., was apoynted to be made, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Owen Kenniston was before the said Mayor and Burgisses complayned against by George Wooldridge, one of the Constables of the said Borough, for usuall travellinge on the Sundaye with 3 and sometymes 4 horses, laden with conyes, in and through this Boroughe.

Saith that his occasion of suche his travellinge is for the provision for the Kinge's Majestie, he beinge a poulter for his Majestie; and that he will make this appeare within 14 dayes.

And further confesseth he is a poulter in generall and useth that as his trade. But his onely occasion for travelling on the Sundaye is for his Majestie's provision.

[p. 279.] Copia. In Camera Stellata, 17<sup>o</sup> Decembris, anno nono Caroli regis.

Theise are to require you that uppon sight hereof you receive from the handes of the Warden of the Fleete, the bodye of Lodowicke Bowyer, and to cause him on Saturdaye next, beinge the one and twentieth of this instant December, to be sett in the pillorye in the Towne and Boroughe of Readinge, in the tyme of the Markett there, with his eares nayled to the said pillorye, and a paper on his head, declaringe the nature of his offence, and to cause him to read his submission and acknowledgement there, according to the direccion of the decree of this Court, the last terme, made at the suite of his Majestie's Attorney-Generall, plaintiff. And that done, to deliver him agayne into the custodie of the Warden of the Fleete or his servantes from whome you receive him.

[Signed] Jo. Arthur. M. Coad.

To the Maiour, Burgesses and Assistantes of the Towne of Readinge in Barkeshire.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Kendricke.

The aforesaid warrant was executed accordinge to the direccion thereof, the daye and tyme therein apoynted, in the sight and presence of the said Maiour, Burgesses and Assistantes, accompanied with both the Constables, divers officers and abundaunce of other people, about eleven or twelve of the clocke, in full markett, and

then redelivered agayne into the custodye of the servantes of the Warden of the Fleete, whiche brought him to Readinge.

Vide le file pro le warrant.

[p. 280.] 10 Januarii, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso *Majore*.

Avery Howell and Mary his wief complayne against Bartholmew Harris, servant to Thomas Skynner, for hanginge a ramme's horne at his hall windore, Thursdaye was senight, about 8 or 9 of the clocke, in the eveninge.

William Grantham saith he heard Valentine Skynner in that eveninge, but Avery Howell get him in at dores or ells he will fling a horne after him.

Frauncis Harvy, spinster, saith she did stand in her master's shoppe in that eveninge and did see the said Bartlemewe hang the horne at the windore of her master.

Bartlemewe Harris saith that he did not hang the horne at the windore, neither doth he knowe whoe did, &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis.

Memorandum, quod Bartholmeus Harrys	} ad respondendum ad	
cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli</i> .		omnia que objicien-
quod ipse compareat ad proximam		tur versus cum et
Sessionem Pacis; Thomas Skynner et		quod ipse se bene
Willelmus Loveridge, nailmaker, manuceperunt pro ipso separatim sub		geret versus domi-
pena <i>xli</i> . quod, etc.	cunctos.	

B., Thomas Skinner, . . . .

15<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Leche, shoemaker, of Wokingham, complayneth that Jone Leche, his daughter, is with child, begotten by Izaak Harrison, of Henley, shoemaker, whiche [he] doth not deny, but confeseth he hath had carnall knowledg of her bodye in Wokingham, &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Memorandum, Richard Morrys, a maulster, in Henley.

Memorandum, quod xv<sup>o</sup> Januarii, Izaccus Harrison, de Readinge<sup>3</sup>, in comitatu [Berks<sup>4</sup>], shoemaker, cognovit se debere domino Regi

<sup>3</sup> Henley super Thamisem, *crossed through here*.

<sup>4</sup> Oxon, *crossed through here*.

xx*li*. sub condicione quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in comitatu predicto ad respondendum ad omnia que ad, etc.

Ricardus Morrys, de Henley predicto, maulster, et Henricus Cleydon, de Henley predicto, laborer, manuceperunt separatim sub pena x*li*. per se pro predicto Izacco.

X Morris. Henr. H Cleydon.

[p. 281.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye Castle Seymour's wife complayned, for that in harvest tyme last past William Potter's wife, sellinge fruite in the markett-place, did beate and wound a boye of her's, aged xj yeares, with a measure, called a gallon, of which the boy then complayned, and ever since hath byn ill and is nowe like to dye.

George Millisente's wief saith she did not see it, but heard some wordes.

John Cosoll's wief.

Thomas Griffen.

Margerye Seymour aged 14 years.

William Potter's wief saith the boy bid abuse her, &c.; denyeth the strikinge of the boy with the galone, but confessest she did strike him with a little wand or sticke.

#### Complaintes of disorders in Alehouses, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Nathaniell Blacknall for keepinge iij or iiij<sup>or</sup> poore men in his house drinke and spendinge their money and tyme till they were drunke, on Saturdaye last.

Steven Marshall, &c.

And 1 tyme in sermon tyme, paid 3*s*. 4*d*. and was warned.

Henry Dawson, a yong man, confessest he kepeth alehouse without licence; and hath taken in vj kilderkyngs of Mr. Gibbyn's beere. He was forbidden and required to paye 20*s*.; and if he desist not within 14 dayes, to have the lawe.

Henry Rowse, a yong man, saith he hath kept vitlinge 5 or 6 weekes, by his mother's licence, &c.; and hath taken and drawen

6 kilderkyns at the least of Thomas Harrison's beere. Forbidden to vittell, &c. Required to paye 20s.

Memorandum, Boules for the like.

[p. 282.] Fridaye, the 17th of January, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye Elizabeth, late the wief of Henry Moore, deceased, made request that her daughter maye contynue and have benefitt in the Shambles, as farr fourth as William Moore, share and share like, &c.; referd till William Moore maye be present, to consent and agree.

At this daye Lawrence Coxed, a forreynour blacksmith, was agayne convented and forbidden to use his trade within this Corporacion; to whiche he said nothings, but that he would shutt downe his windores.

And at this daye it was complayned that the said Lawrence Coxed doth keepe alehouse and sell beere without licence; to whiche he saith his wief did and doth drawe beere.

Jerome Pococke }  
Edward Ireland } jurant, that he doth drawe and sell beere, &c.

And that Thomas Harrison's men did laye in iiij or v barrells of beere at Lawrence Coxed's.

At this daye it was enformed that Ellys Boules keepeth alehouse without licence, and he, beinge convented, saith he doth not keepe alehouse, but dwelleth in house with his wive's mother, the widowe Staunton, whoe saith she doth sell the beere in that house, and hath taken and drawn of Mr. Harrison's beere xij barrells, or thereabouts, since Hallontide last. Forbidden to keepe alehouse.

Tuesdaye, 21 Januarii, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Joseph Smith, of Burfeild, and Nicholas Asten, of Ufton, did promise severally to paye weekly 2*d*. a peice towards the keepinge of Anne Chivers, the daughter of Henry Chivers, duringe the tyme of her weaknes in the House of Correccion, soe as she staye not longer then Midsomer next.

William Bagley for keeping 3 Townes-men drinkinge in his house against the lawe, &c.



[p. 283.] 27<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Moleson, of Marleboroughe, in com. Wiltes, clothworker, saith uppon Sonday the 19th of this January he was possest of *vj*l*i*. in money [tied] in his handkerchiffe in his chest, standing in his lodgeinge chamber, in the house of his master, Thomas Lawrence, in Marleborowe, and uppon Mondaye morninge, about 5 of the clocke in the morning, he beinge gone to his worke, his chest was broken open and the *vj*l*i*. and the handkerchiffe taken and carried away and he doth verily thinke and suspect that one Benjamyn Lawrence, a workman to the said Thomas Lawrence in the same house, is the man that did breake the chest and take awaye his *vj*l*i*.

Memorandum, Thomas Moleson cognovit se debere domino Regi *xl*l*i*. quod ipse ad proximam Assisam et Gaolam deliberandam prosecut' versus predictum Benjamin secundum formam statuti.

Ad Assisam.

[Signed] Thomas Mowellson.

The examinacion of Benjamyn Lawrence.

Saith he dwelleth in Marleboroughe and there liveth by his labour, endeavoring to learne the trade of a clothworker with his brother Thomas Lawrence; and uppon Mondaye the *xxth* of this Januarye he came from Marleboroughe about 6 or 7 of the clocke in the morning, accordinge to his Master's direccions, and brought a packe of wooll of his Master's to Readinge to be laid on the Woolhall for one John Chandler, a clothier, in Reading, if he should like it, and this was the cause of his coming to Readinge.

And beinge demaunded howe, by what meanes and where he had the handkirchiffe found under his keeping, whiche Thomas Moleson claymeth to be his goodes, saith that on the said Mondaye morninge, he goeing to his Master's house to load the packe of wooll, he found the same handkerchiffe in the streete in Marleborough, nere to the dore of one Richard Launchberye, and being come to his Master's house this Examine did shewe the said Thomas Moleson the same handkerchiffe he had found, and then he could not clayme it. And as to the breaking of the chest and taking away the handkirchiffe and money he is not guiltye.

Memorandum, quod Bengamenus Lawrence cog-	} quod ipse
novit se debere domino Regi xl <i>l</i> i.	
Thomas Lawrence, de Marleborough, clothier, et	
Robertus Jones, de Reading, clothier, manuc'. pro	
se xx <i>l</i> i.	} ad proxi-
	} mam As-
	} sisam.
[Signed] Benjaemen Lawrence, Thomas Laurence.	

[p. 284.] Wensdaye, 5th of February, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*.

At this daye by the testimoney of John Edsor and John Chamberlyn that Mary Wadlowe was covenant servaunt with John Edsor vij yeares and upwardes, she had the 40s. of Mr. John Kendricke's guift, uppon the promise of John Edsor and John Chamberlyn to repaye the 40s. backe agayne (if the said Marye was with childe at the tyme of her mariage, the 16 of Januarye last past.

Memorandum, this 40s. was to be repaid 3<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634, by reason she proved with childe.

10 Februarii, 1633. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

The complaynt of Robert Wilson, of Hurst, milwright, uppon his oath, saith that uppon Saturday the 25 of January he lost his purse and key and 17s. in money in the markett-place, selling corne in the markett, of which money there was 4 quarternes of 13*d. ob.*, and ij haulfe-crowne peices, and uppon the loosinge of his purse, divers of his neighbours did discover and relate a suspicious person then idle in the markett-place, whiche fellowe afterwarde, the same daye, was apprehended by the Constable uppon suspition of vagrauncye, and uppon examinacion and searche the said fellowe had bought a newe paire of shooes at a shoemaker's shoppe in Readinge and paid ijs. x*d.* for them, whereof the 4 quarterne peices were partes. And the Constable uppon searche found about him xijs. in money, whereof ij haulfe-crowne peices. [Assises, *in margin*.] And afterwarde, about a fortnight, this Complainant by direccions of the said vagrant had his purse and key cast behinde a blocke in St. Mary churchyard.

\* Marked as absent.



Memorandum, quod dictus Robertus Wilson cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. quod prosec' etc.

The examinacion of Richard Treherne.

Saith he liveth at Bagshott, in com. Surr', as servant to his father, keepinge a shoppe and selling small wares.

The cause of his beinge in Readinge markett on Saturdaye, the 25 of January last, saith he had byn at Farringdon about his father's busynes, and cominge homewardest he made Readinge his waye, and had noe company from Bleuberye, where he lodged Fridaye night, but one man that parted from him in Readinge, whose name he knoweth not.

Beinge demaunded where he had the money, he bought a paire of shooes in Readinge, and what kinde of money he paid for his shooes, saith he paid 2s. 10d. for them, of whiche money he paid 4 quarterne peices of 13d. ob., and that he found the money in the market place in a purse with more money in the purse about ij or iij a clocke: denyeth the key. And was in no house in Reading but the gaole where he spent 8d. And denyeth the directinge of the Complainant where to fynd his purse. Comitted prout to the Gaole.

[p. 285.] Wensdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Februarij, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye the lettres from the Lordes of the Councell for the Mayour and Magistrates, to send two men well instructed in the carriage of the common stocke to attend the Board upon the xxjth of this present moneth, were openly read and rest <sup>5</sup>.

20<sup>o</sup> Aprilis the lettres be nowe brought in and remayn in the Hall.

Apoynnted: Mr. Christofer Turnour and Anthony Brackston.

At this daye the proclamacion concerning the prises of wines was openly read in the hearinge of the Vinteners at the Hall, and upon Saturdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Februarii, proclaymed.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>5</sup> in Mr. Maiour's handes, *crossed through here*.

Mondaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter \*, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

This daye Anthony Brackston was apoynted one of the two persons to attend the Lordes.

At this daye Mr. John Kendricke's printed will was taken out of my keepinge and deliver'd to Mr. Christofer Turnour to carry to the Counsell Table.

[p. 286.] Thursdaye, 20 Februarii, 1633.

Mr. Robert Mäulthus, *Maiour*.

Sir Frauncis Knollis, Sir Thomas Vachell, knightes, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

In High Ward.	Johannes Tyther, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, pro se,	Johannes Arthur, in	<i>vli.</i>
in .	Henrie Osborne, in	<i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, in	Willelmus Porter, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in	Johannes Creede, in	<i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, pro se, in	Jacobus Hall, in	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, in	Jacobus Hall, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Nicholas Middleton, in	Willelmus Porter, in	<i>vli.</i>
Nicholas Middleton, in	Johannes Daye, in	<i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, in	Johannes Daye, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Henry Mollyns, in	Willelmus Porter, in	<i>vli.</i>
Henrie Mollyns, in	Jacobus Hall, in	<i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond	Georgius Hone, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Nicholas Middleton	Johannes Browne, in	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Arthur, pro se,	Johannes Humfery, in	<i>vli.</i>
in	Johannes Browne, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Tyther, in	Johannes Humfery, in	<i>vli.</i>
Henry Osborne, in	Georgius Hone, in	<i>vli.</i>

\* Marked as absent.

Johannes Humferies, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Milsopp, inkeeper, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Browne, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Bennett Baylie, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Georgius Hone, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Browne, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Moore, vin- tener, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Henrie Cleere, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Wattleton, in	<i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Humfery Huse, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pocock, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Robert Creede, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Georgius Man, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Moore, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Roger Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Humfery Huse, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Robinson, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Wattleton, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Johnson, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Henrie Hasker, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Milsopp, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus East, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Browne, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Henrie Hasker, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Wickins, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Wattleton, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Georgius Wilder, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus East, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skinner, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Humferie Hewse, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	[p. 287.] London Ward.	
Willelmus Moore, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Treehearne, inholder, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Robertus Creede, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus East, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>	Isack Yorke, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Henrie Hasker, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Symons, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Wattleton, in	<i>vli.</i>	Isack York, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Clement Frestone, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Isack Trehearne, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jerome Pocock, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Yorke, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henrie Osborne, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Isack Trehearne, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Poore, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Boreman, in	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Boreman, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Lea, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
		Isack York, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>

Willelmus Wilmer, senior, in . . . . . xli.	Johannes Piggen, pro se, in . xli.
Willelmus White, in . xli.	Ricardus Waker, in . vli.
pro Thoma <sup>6</sup> Towne, victuler	Johannes Pinnock, in . vli.
26 <sup>o</sup> Febr. 1633.	Paine Canterell, inholder, pro se, in . . . . . xli.
Thomas Sawser, in . xli.	Willelmus Wilmer, senior, in . vli.
Thomas Streete, in . xli.	Henrie Ayres, in . vli.
Willelmus Cooper, in . xli.	26 Febr. 1633.
pro Ricardo Barnes, victuler	Ricardus Markham, inholder, pro se, in . . . . . xli.
Minster Ward.	Johannes Clinton, in . vli.
Edwardus Androwes, pro se, in . . . . . xli.	Willelmus Evered, in . vli.
Ricardus Holmes, in . vli.	Ricardus Markham, in . xli.
Johannes Backhowse, in vli.	Johannes Clinton, in . xli.
Ricardus Holmes, pro se, in . . . . . xli.	Willelmus Evered, in . xli.
Edwardus Androwes, in vli.	pro Johanna Dewell, vidua, inholder
Johannes Backhowse, in vli.	Johannes Clinton, in . xli.
Edwardus Androwes, in vli.	Francis Thackham, in . xli.
Ricardus Holmes, in . vli.	Thomas Skynner, in . xli.
Ricardus Waker, pro se, in . . . . . xli.	pro Nicholao Noble, in- holder
Johannes Piggen, in . vli.	Willelmus Venge [ <i>sic</i> ]
Johannes Pinnock, in . vli.	[p. 288.] Old Ward.
Johannes Pinnock, pro se, in . . . . . xli.	Johannes Eales, pro se, in . xli.
Johannes Piggen, in . vli.	Willelmus Kenton, in . vli.
Ricardus Waker, in . vli.	Francis Browne, in . vli.
	Willelmus Kenton, pro se, in . . . . . xli.
	Johannes Eales, in . vli.
	Francis Browne, in . vli.

<sup>6</sup> Thome, MS.

Francis Browne, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Cooper, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Eales, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Sawser, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Kenton, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
New Ward.			
Phillip Shiler, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Lea, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Shiler, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henrie Merifeild, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Rogerus Camell, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Poore, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Hollowaye, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Henrie Merifeild, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Shiler, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Lea, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Camell, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Poore, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Nathaniel Blacknall, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Bennett Baylie, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Shiler, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Milsop, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Camell, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Browne, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
High Ward.			
Roger Camell, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Creed, butcher, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Shiler, in . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Brackstone, in .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Roberto Legge, victuler		Henrie Creede, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Hulbard, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Brackston, butcher, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Isack Yorke, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Creede, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Poore, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henrie Creede, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Netherclife, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Henricus Creede, butcher, in	<i>xli.</i>
Roberte Jaques, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Creede, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Venge, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Edwardus Brackstone, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Sawser, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Turner, butcher, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Streete, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Reynold Cranidge, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Cooper, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Jones, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Streete, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Reynold Cranidge, butcher, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Cooper, in . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Turner, in . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Sawser, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Jones, in . .	<i>vli.</i>

Willelmus Jones, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	William Hamelden, butcher, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Turner, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Henrie Hamelden, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Reynold Cranidge, in . <i>vli.</i>	Michael Hamelden, in . <i>vli.</i>
Roger Symons, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Henrie Hamelden, pro se, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Wright, in . <i>vli.</i>	William Hamelden, in . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Woddier, in . <i>vli.</i>	Michael Hamelden, in . <i>vli.</i>
William Wright, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Bagley, butcher, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Roger Symons, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Jones, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Woddier, in . <i>vli.</i>	William Veinge, in . . <i>vli.</i>
[p. 289.] Johannes Wod- dier, butcher, in . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Jones, butcher, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Roger Symons, in . . <i>vli.</i>	William Veinge, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Wright, in . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Bagley, in . . <i>vli.</i>
William Clinton, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	William Veinge, junior, butcher, pro se, in . . <i>xli.</i>
Thomas West, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Bagley, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Robinson, in <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Jones, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas West, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Robertus Spikin, butcher, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Robinson, in <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Jones, in . . <i>vli.</i>
William Clinton, in . . <i>vli.</i>	William Veinge, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Robinson, butcher, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Hicckes, vintner, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Thomas West, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Clinton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Roger Symmons, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Micheall Hamelden, butcher, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>	Henrie Salmon, vintner, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Henrie Hamelden, in . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Jones, in . . <i>vli.</i>
William Hamelden, in . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas West, in . . <i>vli.</i>

Die Mercurii, 26<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

William Venge, senior, butcher, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Phillis Stockwell, vidua, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Roberte Jaques, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Sawser, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Roberte Jaques, butcher, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Bagley, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Lea, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Venge, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skinner, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Cranidge, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Mapleton, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Roberte Jaques, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
William Venge, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skynner, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Hamelden, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Spencer, victuler, butcher, pro se, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Hamelden, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henrie Netherclife, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Venge, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Browne, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>

[p. 290.] Tuesdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1633, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 9<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Memorandum, to Sir Edward Clerke, pur son aid, 40s.

Agreed to paye Mr. Saunders for his paynes and attendinge the Lordes of the Counsell, xls.

At this daye Mr. Saunders and Mr. Christofer Turnour delivered in wordes the resolucion of the Lordes concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's guift to the Towne.

\* Marked as absent.



[p. 290.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Willyam Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Robert Bent, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtys, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the house and landes at Whit-churche was graunted to John Liford, excepting all trees, to hold for xxj yeares, 50s. rent, hault yeerly, to be paid with ordinary covenantes. The lessee agreeth to permitt the poore woman to hold the house and garden rent free. (Hault a yeare's rent in hand.) The Cofferers shall view the trees and allowe some of them towards reparacions of the barne.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the shoppe, whiche Barton Turnour holdeth under the North side of the Woolhall, was graunted to him for xxj yeares, at xxxs. rent per annum and setting up a penthouse and repayring, &c.

Lease to Richard Cranidge of the shopp, late John Hamblen's, on the South side, under the Woolhall; to hold for xxj yeares, rent 40s. per annum, fine £6 13 4, usuall covenantes; 14 dayes to answer, si, etc.

Lease to Peter Yates of a tenement in Pangborne lane; to hold for 99 yeares (if he and ij other lives live soe long). Rent ijs. per annum, usuall covenantes; if Edward Starke bringe in his former lease.

The Vinteners were agayne willed to obey the proclamacion, concerninge their prises of wines.

Memorandum, 3<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1633, the . . . Assizes were held at Abingdon.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Mr. William Iremonger made request to leave his place of a Capitall Burgesse, by reason of lamenes and weaknes, that he cannott attend and doe as he is bound by oath and conscience ; but not resolved.

[on p. 276.] Ultimo Februarii, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Clarke of the Markett, by and with the assistance and viewe of the Jurours for the Law-daye, vizt. : Robert Dye, Peter Burningham, Edward Johnson, William Kinge did size and seale divers bushells, gallons and small measures, by and accordinge to the standerdes, &c.

[p. 291.] Thursdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1633.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye it was agreed that Brownes Hill shalbe gravelled, made hansom and rayled, with sufficient postes and rayles, fourthwith.

And at this daye and tyme Richard Breddes did bargayne, promise and agree to provide suche and soe muche tymber, after the rate of 25s. 6d. the load, whiche shalbe younge, wholle, sound and good tymber, without fault, as shalbe sufficient for postes and rayles to rayle the Hill, in suche manner as by Mr. Mayour and his Brethren shalbe directed. And that he will doe, make and finishe the same before Easter next ; and he shalbe paid for his worke as shalbe agreed.

Wensdaye, 12 Marche.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Majour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the fremen Fishmongers complayned against John Clifford and others soe sellinge watered fishe and herringes, contrarye to the orders of this Boroughe. Warned to desist from wateringe herringes.

\* Marked as absent.

Thursdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1633, 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

At this daye a generall survey of all the Alehouskeepers and Vitlers in eache severall ward was had and taken by the testimoney of the Constables to eache particuler Alehouskeeper's behaviour, uppon viewe of their licences.

And at this daye theise Alehouskeepers were suppressed, viz<sup>t</sup>. [*sic*]

Post meridiem ejusdem diei.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. William Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke.

14<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1633, et 9<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, etc.

At this daye Mr. William Maulthus did surrendour and yeld uppe his place of Hedburgesse, and Mr. Robert Bent was chosen and sworne Hedburgesse in his roome.

[p. 292.] Fridaye, 28 Martii, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye William Clayton was called in question for divers misdemeanours whereof he was accused.

He could not finde sufficient sureties for his good behaviour, was therefore committed to the Gaole.

The causes are written in Mr. Mayour's handes.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 293.] Mondaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Mr. John Saunders, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent\*.

At this daye the Victlers that were complayned on and some unlicensed were agayne convented and collectors [?] apoynted to be made to leavie their forfeitures for the poore, &c.

Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

Mr. William Maulthus, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the eleccioun of 3 poore Maid-servantes, to cast the lottes upon Good Fridaye, was made, for eache parishe one, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Marye parishe, Marye Southey, servant to William Jacob 13 yeares.

In St. Lawrence parishe, Katherine Yorke, servant to Mr. Robert Malhus [?] 11 yeares and a moneth.

In St. Giles' parishe, Anne West, servant with John Booth 9 yeares.

Memorandum, Mr. Gunter hath the coppye of Mr. Blagrove's will, promising to bring it agayne the next.

At this daye the wainscott and amendinge of the Walke was in question.

Agreed that the Cofferer, with Mr. Gunter's assistaunce, shall make sale of the old wainscot; the Walke repayred soe soone as maye be; benches at both endes, with good planks and ynh boardes, and at the West end to the Crooke; and the benches to be high enoughe for tall men to sitt, with backes of good boardes; and to be substancially done, according to good meaninge.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 294.] Good Fridaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

Mr. William Maulthus \*, Willyam Brackston \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, John Blake \*, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren \*, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham.

The 3 Maid-servantes elected to cast the lottes for the xx nobles this daye :—

1. Katherine Yorke, for St. Lawrence parishe ; she woone . . . the lott by 14.

1. Marye Southey, for St. Marye parishe, 12.

2. Anne West, for St. Giles' parishe, 8.

Memorandum, Anne Berrey, alias Twenche, servant to Wydow Dye, at Whitsontide, 6 yeres for wages 20—30—40s.

Memorandum, this is the third yeare from the last 5th yeare for Southcott maid to come.

At this daye the *iiij*/*li*. of William Legge's guift was distributed to *xxiiij* poore housholders of this Towne, viz<sup>t</sup>. to

8 in St. Marye parishe	} <i>iijs. iiij</i> / <i>d</i> . a peice.
8 in St. Lawrence parishe	
8 in St. Giles' parishe	

For their names, vide le file.

At this daye alsoe *iiij*/*li*. of Widowe Worsley's guift, by direccions of her will, was distributed to *lx* poore widowes of this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>. to

25 in St. Giles' parishe	} <i>xij</i> / <i>d</i> . a peece.
25 in St. Lawrence parishe	
10 in St. Marye parishe	

For their names, vide le file.

At this daye Mr. Joseph Blagrove, accordinge to direccions of his uncle Mr. John Blagrove his will, paid the *x*/*li*. in a newe leather purse, and it was then paid and distributed as his will directeth,

\* Marked as absent.



viz<sup>t</sup>.: to Katherine Yorke, the poore maidservant, whiche then did  
wyn the lott . . . . . 6*li*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

To the Churchwardens of St. Laurence for  
60 poore . . . . . xxx*s*.

To the Churchwardens of St. Marie's, for  
60 poore . . . . . xxx*s*.

To the Churchwardens of St. Giles', for poore . . . . . v*js*.

To the Preacher at St. Lawrence that daye . . . . . x*s*.

To the Clarke 3*s*. 4*d*. and to the Sexten 3*s*. 4*d*. . . . . v*js*. viij*d*.

To the Junior Churchwarden . . . . . ii*js*. iiij*d*.

Tobias Marten paid in the x*li*. for Mr. Joseph Blagrove, 4<sup>o</sup>  
Aprilis, 1634.

At this daye it was agreed that Ralfe Whistler shalbe paid his  
25*li*., due by Mr. John Blagrove's will, when Mr. Danyell Blagrove  
payeth the rent due at Ladye daye last.

Memorandum, 23<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1634. Mr. Daniell Blagrove paid in the  
50*li*. due at Ladye daye last for the yeare's rent of Southcott lodge.

And then I paid Raphe Whistler, as it was agreed, the 25*li*. due  
to him by Mr. John Blagrove's will, and have acquittaunce, prout, etc.  
And the other 25*li*. is in my handes, untill, &c.

[p. 295.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli  
Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr.  
Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr.  
William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr.  
Robert Bent.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight,  
Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight,  
Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John New-  
man, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. Robert Bent.

Memorandum, there is ij Rolles ingrossed oweinge to Sir Edward  
Moore.

15<sup>o</sup> Aprill, 1634, the next daye, was the Sessions at Newberie.

At this daye the Lawe-daye was holden.

\* Marked as absent.

## Nomina Juratorum.

George Millisent, jurator primus.

Abraham Watlingto	} jurati.	William Blacknall	} jurati.
Henry Frewyn		John Redford	
Edward Strowde		Richard Levyns	
John Beale		Edward Whitton	
William Saunders	} jurati.	Moises Willys	} jurati.
Thomas Iremonger		John Wilder	
Thomas Cope, senior		Roger Frewyn	
Frauncis Knight		Thomas Alder	

George Millisent	} Affirers, jurati.
Abraham Watlington	
Henry Frewyn	
Edward Strowd	

The Wensdaye next after Bartlemew daye next to geve their verdict.

23<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634.

At this daye Mr. Mayour beinge Clarke of the Markett, with the assistaunce and sight of six honest inhabitantes, did size and seale divers bushells, half-bushells, peckes and gallons, and ells and yardes.

George Millisent	} of the Jurye.
Edward Strowde	
John Beale	
John Wylder	
Henry Frewyn, jun.	
Thomas Alder	

[p. 296.] 25<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1634, Fridaye.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter.

At this daye the Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore of every severall parishe within this Boroughe made their severall accomptes of all somes of money by them received or rated, and not received, and what apprentices they have bound and what poore they have relieved in the yeare 1633.

For the particulers thereof see the booke and kept for that purpose.



The names of the people that dwell in the house at Whitchurche and deny John Liford to plowe :—

Edith Harwood, widowe, Agnes Harwood did offer to hurt him, Marye Harwood, spinsters.

Penalties by statute in

St. Marie's parishe.

Of William Kenton,	xs
Of Nicholas Coplyn,	xxs.
Of Richard Sone,	xxs.
Of Richard Wheeler,	xxs.

St. Giles.

John Eiles,	xs.
Thomas Strete,	xs.
Of Francis Tucker,	xxs.
Henry Rowse <sup>7</sup> ,	xxs.

All forbidden and willed to desist  
from keeping alehouse.

St. Lawrence parishe.

Of John Noble,	xs.
Of Henry Dawson,	xxs.
Roger Ireland,	xxs.

Supprest.

Thomas Spencer	Thomas Nowell
Symon Cane	Thomas Greene
Mathewe Beale	John Spott
Edward Terrant	John Poore, si, etc.
William Grumall	John Lesson.

Wensdaye, vij<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*\*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

Mr. Henry Barnard shall be suretye for the *xxli.*, with his sonne.

Memorandum, a [urinal] for the schoole-boyes shalbe made fourth-with in a convenyent place.

Memorandum, Widowe Lane [?] is to pay xs., ijs. a tyme to William Wickes.

<sup>7</sup> Of John Spott, *xxs.*, *crossed through here.*

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 297.] Mondaye, xij Maii, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye Mr. Mayour, beinge Clarke of the Markett within the Boroughe, did cause a generall warninge and appearance of all that did use any waites or measures within the Boroughe, and then in the Towne hall, with the assistance of the Jurours for the Lawday, did viewe and examyne all the weightes and measures presented.

12 Maii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. John Newman.

Widowe Elkyngs her husband in his lief-tyme enterteyned Robert Beldon and his wife, a stranger, to dwell in her house ever since Leonardes tide last.

Robert Beldon was warned to be gone from whence he came. Promised to be gone within xiiij dayes next after Whitsondaye.

Mr. Maiour did then warne the Widowe Elkyngs to forbear and desist from alehouseskeepinge after Robert Beldon his departure.

Old William Wheate and his sonne, and the stranger they enter-teyne shall appeare this daye senight by ix of the clocke.

21<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*.

At this daye by vertue of a warrant directed to the said Maiour, accordinge to the statute of 5<sup>o</sup> Elizabeth, John Hancocke, the apprentice of Richard Burrin, late of the cittye of Oxford, musicion, beinge lurking within this Corporacion, was attached and delivered to Christofer Palmer of Oxford to be conveyed to the Mayour of Oxford to be there dealt withall as the lawe requireth, &c.

John Smith, the brickmaker, keepeth alehouse. Affirmed by Steven Othrey, feltmaker.

21 Maii, 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, *Majore*.

At this daye Steven Othrey, feltmaker, complayned against Nathaniell Palley, his wief in towne, Robert True, Richard Jeames, and Thomas Goldinge, jurneymen feltmakers at William Winkles', for

threatninge to colt him out of the Towne. Prayeth securitie he maye live and goe in peace.

Nathaniell Pawley promised to remove his wief out of Towne at or before Midsomer next to dwell ells-where.

[p. 298.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 30 Maii, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. Robert Bent.

Secondarye Burgesses.

Mr. John Saunders \*, Mr. William Maulthus \*, William Brackston, John Dewell, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blagrove brought a subpena for Mr. Mayour and the Burgesses, with Mr. Anthony Blagrove, to aunswere, &c. in the beginning of the terme.

Mr. Saunders had the writt to aunswere the busynes.

Whereas before this tyme 5*li*. in money was levied of the goodes of Lawrence Coxed for usinge the trade of a blacksmith within this Boroughe, he beinge a forreynour and not a freman of the Towne, a petition was exhibited to have some restitution.

At this daye uppon Mr. Anthonye Blagrove's request and promise that the said Lawrence Coxed shall hencefourth desist and noe more use the trade of a blacksmith or farrier within this Boroughe, it was this daye agreed that he shall have restitution of iiij*li*. of the said 5*li*., he gevinge bonde of 40*li*. not any longer to use his said trade within this Boroughe.

At this daye it was enformed to this Companye that the Widowe Harwood and her ij daughters doe disturbe their tenaunt John Liford, at Whitchurche, that he cannott plowe and sowe his land in peace. Referd to Sir Edward Clerke to heare and determyne, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the busynes betwixt William Moore and his mother-in-lawe, concerninge the Butchers shambles, was in question; and it appearinge by the will of Henrye Moore that the right of the moietye of the lease beinge in the daughter, an infant, it was concluded that the lease shall stand as it doth, willinge them to agree within themselves concerninge the proffittes of the Shambles. And if William Moore require and take the 8*li.*, or soe muche money as the makinge of the shambles cometh to, over and above the money had for the tymber and tyles pulled downe, then the promise of adding two lives into a newe lease of the Buchers hill shalbe void.

At this daye it was agreed that the Widowe Stevens shall holde the Woolhall from Midsomer next at 14*li.* 10*s.* rent per annum.

At this daye it was agreed that a generall reaccompt of the disbursements of the stocke geven by Mr. John Kendricke shalbe had and taken from the beginninge by

Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Bent, } soe soone as they maye  
Anthony Brackston, Richard Burren, } convenientlye.

And at this daye at Mr. Saunders' request his servant Thomas Stretin was allowd to use the trade of a baker as a freeman within this Boroughe, per composicionem. 20*s.* redeliberat'. [40*s.*, *in margin.*]

[p. 299.] 2<sup>o</sup> die Junii, 1634. Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Sanders, Esq.

Edward Bonavant servant to Thomas Harison, of Readinge, beere-brewer, is thought to be bewitched, and William Walles and Edith his wief are suspected for bewitchinge the said Edward Bonavant.

2<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*, Thoma Turnor, Nicholao Gunter, Christofero Turnour, Johanne Newman, Roberto Bent.

1. Memorandum, to call to John Edsor for 40*s.* accordinge to his promise at Bartlemewtide.

2. Memorandum, Roger Ireland confesseth that he still keepeth vitlinge-house and that his goodes distreyned at his request shall rest untill Sir Edward Clerke come to the Hall to assist Mr. Mayor.

3. Alice Allen, spinster, complayneth that Robert Jones, a felt-maker, hath begotten her with childe, and that he did promise her mariage; he had her companye and knowledge of her bodye the Mondaye senight before Ladye-daye last at night; and saith alsoe

that he intendeth not to marrye with her, but intendeth to marrye with her sister, Anne Allen, for they be asked in the Churche to be maryed.

4. Robert Jones denyeth that he hath not lyen with the said Alice Allen, and if she be with childe he saith it is none of his.

5. Anne Allen, sister to the said Alice Allen, claymeth the said Robert Jones to be her husband and saith she is asked in the Churche to him ; she not knoweing he had lyen with her sister ; and seeinge that is true, she will not marrye with him, but doth and will ever renounce him.

Robert Jones committed to the House of Correccion.

John Bagley beinge convented for abusinge the Constables and for other misdemeanours was rebuked and warned to amend his lief, who promised reformation.

John Hickes, vintner, was called in question for keepinge playe and disorders in his house ; was warned.

Memorandum, 5<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634. Thomas Willyams, apprentice to Thomas Wilson of Shoo Lane, London, blacksmith, beinge run away from his Master was here taken and delivered to his Master by vertue of the Lord Cheiffe Justice his warrant, dated 4<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634.

Ad Sessionem Pacis, 7 Augusti, 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, *generoso*.

Robertus Jones, feltmaker,	} quod compareat ad proximam
xxli. . . . .	
Nicholas Horne, laborer to	
Ierns [?] Jackweys xli.	
per se. . . . .	} Sessionem Pacis post festum
	} Epiphanie, et interim se bene
	} geret, etc.

R. R. H.

3<sup>o</sup> die Junii, 1634. Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esquire.

. Informacions and complaintes.

Assises. Clemens Bonevant, wief of the said Edward, saith that about 5 or 6 weekes since her husband was first taken with shaking fittes after a strange and unusuall manner, and thereuppon advisinge with Mr. Dr. Bird about his sicknes, the Dr. could not tell the cause of his sicknes, but found him to be verye weake. And the said

Edward contynued soe about 3 weekes, and then recovered and went abroad, and was reasonable well for about 7 or 8 dayes, and then fell agayne into his fittes as formerly, or worse, and soe contynueth.

She saith alsoe that sometymes his fittes hold him 7 or 8 howers together, and sometymes but for 4 or 5 howers, and sometymes for lesse tyme. In his fittes all his joyntes and lymmes are taken with a shakinge in that violent manner that 2 or 3 must hold him, which drives him into muche sweatinge and other distemperature ; in his fittes he cannott speake, but makes a shreeking noise, and knowes noe-bodye.

When his fittes are of him and ceasse, then he knowes them that come to him and talkes very sensible, and then saith that in his fittes he feeles as it were a mouse run up and downe within him. And she saith that he is not free of his fittes when at the longest not above halfe an hower at a tyme.

Shee saith that on Saturdaye last was fortnight, the said Edith Walls meetinge this Examinante, did muche revile this Examinant, callinge her whoore and usinge other revilinge speaches against her. Afterwardes this Examinante's husband, meetinge the said Edith Walls, did reprovee her for revilinge this Examinant. And there-uppon the said Edith did use many revilinge speeches against the said Edward and told him that he the said Edward should goe noe more to his Master's. And the next daye at eveninge, beinge Sundaye, the said Edward fell into his fitts agayne, and his fitts have beene worse since, then they were in the tyme of his former fitts.

Jone Greene, wife of Thomas Greene, of Readinge.

Saith that she beinge often with the said Edward Bonavent since his last fallinge ill, the said Edward hath often said that he thought in his conscience that [he] was troubled with some ill spiritt, and that Walls and his wife were the occasion and meanes of his beinge soe ill, and that he could not put that out of his minde.

And the said Jone Greene saith she heard William Walls saye, on Saturdaye last was a fortnight, to the said Edward Bonavent, Thou hast beene pretye well hoysted, but I will hoyst the better yett.

William Walls examyned.

Saith his wief and he have oftentimes byn abused and reviled by bad neighbours, but he and his wief are free and not guiltye of any manner of witchcraft.



Jone Pettie, Elizabeth Hickes, Agnes Card, Elizabeth Cheiffe, Ellyn Halpenye, Jone Greene, Ellyn Burley and Alice Osborn did searche and had other viewe of the bodye of Edith Walls, and said they found her not as other weomen; but that uppon the searche of her bodye, they finde under her armpitt somethinge like a nipple, but more soft and flaggye, and the like in her hippe, and in her privie partes somethinge like a teate. Verte folium.

[p. 300.] Eodem die.

Searchers { William Duglace, William Kinge, } haveinge the viewe  
 { Henry Mapleton, Izaak Wracke, } and searchinge  
 { Thomas Alder, John Mabblerley } of the bodye of  
 William Walls, suspected of witchcraft, doe all saye that he is  
 a man as other men be, not having teat bigg or small about his  
 bodye, but a blewe spott or ij, whiche they did pricke, and bledd.

There be divers other informacions and complaintes against the  
 said William Walls and his wief of suspition of witchcraft. Vide le3  
 file.

The said Edith Walls comitted to the Gaole.

Memorandum, quod predictus Willelmus	} quod ipse ad proxi-
Walls cognovit se debere domino Regi	
xl/i.	} mas Assizas tenen-
Ricardus Robinson, manuceperunt pro pre-	
cordwayner, et dicto Willelmo Walls	} das in comitatu pre-
Georgius Nether-	
cott, cardmaker } separatim sub pena	} dicto compareat ad
xx/i. per se	
	} respondendum, etc.,
	} et quod interim se
	} bene geret. [Ad
	} Assizes, <i>in margin.</i> ]

[p. 301.] 16 Junii, 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso,  
*Majore*, Thoma Turnour, Johanne Newman, Christofero Tur-  
 nour et Roberto Bent.

At this daye complaynt was made by the officers of Shinfeild,  
 that heretofore they gave *vli.* in money and bound John Chaplen,  
 borne in their parishe, apprentice to William Applebye of Readinge,  
 weaver, for 15 yeares by indenture, of whiche terme 9 yeares are  
 expired, and that the said apprentice for lacke of meate and drinke  
 and apparell hath often-tymes run awaye, and is nowe brought  
 agayne by the officers of Shinfeild desiringe a reformacion, or res-  
 titucion of the *vli.*



William Applebye saith he hath victualls as he himself and family daily have, and further saith that the said apprentice is soe ill condicioned that he will still run awaye and hath noe hope of good service of him.

All thinges heard, examyned and understood, the said William Applebye was enjoyned to take his apprentice and to sett him to worke agayne and to use him well in all thinges.

And the apprentice willed, when he is misused or ill intreated, to complayne to Mr. Mayour, and he will provide further for him, as shalbe fitt and expedient in that behaulf.

18<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the Churchwardens and Overseers of eache parishe were convented and willed to searche their parishes and to finde what poore children there be whose parentes are not able to keepe them, and to take their names to the intent they maye be placed and put apprentices to handicraftes fourthwith.

John Castle	}	for St. Lawrence parishe.
David Elkes		
John Evens	}	for St. Marie's parishe.
Gilbert Brackston		
John Pemmerton	}	for St. Giles' parishe.
Steven Remnant		

[p. 303.] Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye consideracion was had and taken by the Companye presente, for and concerninge the enterteynement of Sir Nathaniell Brent, the Vicar-Generall, representinge the Lord Archbishopps Grace, in his Visitacion at Readinge, the 26th of July, 1634.

Agreed that Mr. Mayour and his Brethren, with Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders, if he, at his cominge in to Towne shall

\* Marked as absent.

immediatlye meete him and present him with 2 or 3 pottells of wine and a competent sugar loafe, &c. ; and then shall invite him and his attendantes to dynner on Sondaye at Mr. Mayour's house, where Sir Edward, Mr. Saunders and the Magistrates shall meete him ; and Mr. Mayour to make the best provision for that dynner that he can, to furnishe ij tables (in the charge not to be lymitted), but uppon accomptes he shalbe paid by the Cofferer the uttermost peny for all things expended, &c.

23 Julii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Edward Bagley made his peace for ij amerciamentes 13s. 4d., and paid in full payment 5s.

Memorandum, the waye into the Ortes forth of London streete to be enquired of fourthwith.

<sup>8</sup> The 24th of July last, by the appoyntment of Mr. Robert Malthouse, *Mayour*, I was at Hardwicke at Mr. Richard Libb's, whether by my warrant I called Edyth Harwood and hir daughters and the Overseers of ye poore of Whitchurche, and in ye presence of Mr. Libb and Mr. Whisteler, lord of ye manour of Whitchurche, after some debate the widdow pretending title to the house and land demised to John Lyford, by vertue of a will shee had not to shew, but undertooke that on Tuesday the 12th of August she would not fayle to attend Mr. Mayor and his Brethren and eyther then produce somethinge to sett forth as a good title or submitt hir-selfe wholly to bee ordered as shold please the Mayour and Burgesses. Mr. Libb promised to bee then at Readinge to justefy this agreement and so did the Churchwardens and Overseers, and it was promised that Liford shold have notice geven him of the meetinge that day to be present in like manner, all which my occasions requiringe mee to be absent I certefye under my hand 11<sup>o</sup> August, 1634.

Edw. Clerke <sup>8</sup>.

[p. 303 cont<sup>d</sup>.] Wensdaye, 30 Julii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent.

vij<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1634.

Th' Assizes were holden at Abingdon.

<sup>8</sup> This paragraph, pinned to p. 302, is in Sir E. Clerke's hand.

ij<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1634.

Memorandum, Thomas Greene de	} quod [compareat] ad
Reading, blacksmith, xlii.	
Ricardus Payne, de	
etc., et	
Walter Perryn, de	
Readinge, laborer	} separatim manuceperunt
Thomas ? Greene,	
Ric. ? Payne,	
W.	

[p. 304.] Fridaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye Mr. Saunders paid to me for Mr. Wollascott vij*li.*, due to the poore of the vij parishes at Easter last, for haulfe the yeare past. Of whiche I paid to Sir Edward Clerke for the poore of Wallingford, for the last haulfe year, xxs.

One Keeper of the House of Correction.

At this daye it was agreed that Henry Tubb shalbe sole Keeper of the House of Correction and Governour of men and weomen comitted thither by the Towne or Cuntrye; he gevinge good securitye to the likinge of this Companye for the well orderinge of the House and people there beinge, &c.

Henry Tubb shall keepe noe horse there to grinde at the myll, (if he want helpe he shall hire men at his owne charges.)

Agreed he shall have convenyent roometh to lodge and keepe the men and weomen aparte, and to that purpose Mr. Mayour and the Company present went to viewe the house.

At this daye Mr. Kendricke made request to leave his place of Capitall Burgesse, yet to contynue a Secondarye Burgesse, &c.

The aunswere is refer'd till the next meetinge.

Mr. William Maulthus did this daye nomynate his two sonnes John and William, and Steven Mathewe the sonne of William Mathewe, to be the 3 lives his leases of the Ortes shall depend uppon.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the payntours, staynours freemen, complayned that one Mr. James Senyor, a strainger to this Corporacion, useth and practiseth the trade or quallitye of draweing drawne workes within this Corporacion, to the hurt and hinderaunce of the poore men complainants, their wives and children. The defendant promised to be gone within a weeke.

Jonathan Miller, Awstin Clements.

Wensdaye, 27<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye Robert Valentine and his man [*blank*] Harwood were at the request of the *Maiour* of Abingdon called in question for relief of the said Harwoode's wief and children in Abingdon, he alledged his being in debt for app . . . , yet promised to send 3s. the next Saturdaye and xij*d.* a weeke till Michellmas.

[p. 305.] Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634. Eleccion daye.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. William Iremonger \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. Robert Bent.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq., Mr. William Maulthus \*, William Brackston, John Dewell \*, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis \*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the said *Mayour* and Capitall Burgesses, accordinge to direccions of their Chartre, did nomynate and appoynt 3 of the Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion to th'intent and purpose that one of those 3 by the said *Maiour* and residewe of the said Burgesses shalbe elected *Mayour* for the next yeare as by their Chartres is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

\* Marked as absent.

1. Mr. Roger Knight.
2. Mr. Robert Bent, IIIIIIIIIII [13], Maiour elect.
3. Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye Mr. Iremonger made his second request for the leavinge his place of a Capitall Burgesse and his request was then graunted. And Mr. William Brackston was then chosen to be in his place, et juratus.

And at this daye Mr. Kendricke made another motion to yeld upp his place of a Hedburgesse, but it was not then yeelded unto, but refer'd to another tyme.

Memorandum, quod 3 <sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634.	} quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis post festum Epiphanie ad respondendum, etc. Ad Sessionem Pacis Ja[nuar'] 1634.
Edwardus Clayton cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Henricus Maynard, de Reading	
predicta, taylour, et	
Thomas Franklyn, de Reading	
predicta, bricklayer	} manucep'. separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> .
John Hill did take Nicholas Hampton.	

[p. 306.] 5<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

Sessio seu curia Clerici Mercati hospitii domini Regis Anglie, etc. per Carolum Walker, deputatum Hugonis Maye, Armigeri, virtute literarum patentium datarum 4<sup>o</sup> domini regis Caroli, etc.

#### Nomina Juratorum pro domino Rege.

Georgius Millisent, juratus.

Henricus Frewin	} jurati.	Moises Willis	} jurati.
Edwardus Strowde		Johannes Wilder	
Johannes Beale		Roger Frewin	
Willelmus Sanders		Thomas Alder	
Thomas Iremonger	} jurati.	Willelmus Goodale	} jurati.
Thomas Cope		Samuell Bushell	
Frauncis Knight		Johannes Browne	
Johannes Bradford		Johannes Webb	
		Ricardus Stevens	



ij <i>d.</i>	.	.	.	} bread and noe other <sup>9</sup> prises.
groates	.	.	.	
six pence	.	.	.	
xij <i>d.</i>	.	.	.	

[p. 307.] Wensdaye, x<sup>o</sup> die Septembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Mayour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschal, Mr. Robert Bent, Maiour elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye goodwief Clayton was willed to provide to dwell ellswhere and to remove awaye her goodes and to spend her provision betwixt this and Michaellmas-daye at the furthest. And that in the meane tyme she doe noe hurt, but order all thinges well, &c.

Henry Tubb shall fourthwith take the charge of all committed, men and weomen, younge and olde, and sett them to worke, and provide for them.

Henry Tubb tendred one Agnes Hicke[s?], widowe, to be the woman that shall attend and keepe the weomen, young and olde, at worke in spinninge and cardinge in the House of Correccion, and she was well knowne to be a good spinster and accepted on to be in the place as servant to Henry Tubb.

Henry Tubb, Ellys Knight, Walter Filmer, sureties.

Mr. Burren, George Wooldridge, W. Willmer shall viewe and moderate the busynes betwene W. Cleyton and Henry Tubbe.

At this daye consideracion was had about the releevinge of the poore people towards their losse susteyned by the misfortune of fire, the [blank] of August last, they beinge in number vj severall families, &c. And it was thought good that towards their relief one monethes payment shalbe collected by the collection bookes, and distributed by the Mayour and Burgesses, respecting eache severall losse, prout, etc. This did not take place.

At this daye alsoe Richard Atwater exhibited his petition for some releife towards his losse susteyned by the fire, being to the value of vj*li.* per annum or more. And in regard he was an auncient

<sup>9</sup> odd written over other, MS.

\* Marked as absent.

servant, his<sup>1</sup> unhablenes to worke or to doe any service, it was agreed that he shall have 40s. per annum paid him out of the charitable uses duringe his lief, towards his mayntenaunce. But not ment or intended for or towards any buildinge or reparacions, &c.

At this daye alsoe John Lucas, one of the Master Weavers in Mr. John Kendricke's workhouse, complayned that the weavinge worke he had of Mr. William Turnour were soe hard paid at suche under rate, that he could not get his livinge thereby, whiche complainant beinge examined, it apeareed that the said Lucas, beinge lame, could not worke in the loombe himself, but sett journeymen to worke, which did indeed take for their wages the most parte of the price for the worke, &c.

Whereuppon it was thought fitt the better to trye the hardnes of that worke if a livinge may be gotten by that worke, it was agreed that John Lucas his sonne shall, as master, and Richard Blye, as journeyman, weave and worke Mr. Turnour's cloth untill, &c. For the petition, vide leꝝ file. Mr. K.

[p. 308.] Wensdaye, 17 Septembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Robert Bent \*, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. William Brackston \*.

Memorandum, Paid Richard Beard for charges expended in Chauncery about Mr. Blaggrave's sute . . . 3*li*. 3*s*. 8*d*.

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour* elect, Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. William Brackston.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. John Saunders \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston \*, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John

<sup>1</sup> of his, MS.

\* Marked as absent.



Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the 100*li.* of Mr. Richard Ironseede's guift was disposed and lent for iiij<sup>or</sup> years accordinge to his will, viz<sup>t</sup>. to :—

John Nashe, junior, mercer . . . . .	xxv <i>li.</i>
Salomon Barnard, fisherman . . . . .	xxv <i>li.</i>
William Stanton, clothier . . . . .	xxv <i>li.</i>
William Taylour, clothier . . . . .	xxv <i>li.</i>

Uppon securitie, prout, etc.

At this daye alsoe the 40*li.* of the guift of Mr. Richard Winche was disposed and lent to iiij<sup>or</sup> Clothiers accordinge to his will for 7 yeares gratis, viz<sup>t</sup>. to :—

William Woolfe, clothier . . . . .	x <i>li.</i>
George Moore, clothier . . . . .	x <i>li.</i>
Richard Browne, clothier . . . . .	x <i>li.</i>
Andrewe Kenton, clothier . . . . .	x <i>li.</i>

Uppon securitie, prout, etc.

At this daye there was nothinge concluded concerninge the garden but talke, &c.

As touchinge y<sup>e</sup> waye into the Ortes it was this daye agreed, that what the Jurye for the Lawdaye shall find and present, shall on both sides be stood unto, and performed and bound by this promise as if bondes were made to stand to their verdict, &c.

Memorandum, to warne James Winche against Tuesdaye afternoone.

[p. 309.] Tuesdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Bent, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye the leases formerly graunted and agreed uppon were openly read and sealed, and the fines paid, and the said Maiour and Magistrates' names thereunto subscribed.

Fines. To Mr. William Maulthus ij leases of his ij partes of the Ortes for 3 lives, 50*li.*

\* Marked as absent.

To William Turnour, butcher, 1 lease of his shoppe for xxj yeares, 5*l*.

To Richard Cranedge 1 lease of his shoppe for xxj yeares, 5*l*.

Wensdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. John Saunders, Mr. Robert Bent, Maiour elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Brackston.

To geve vj dayes' notice to Mr. Daniell Blagrove that they will make their aunswere uppon Saturdaye come senight, at iiij<sup>or</sup> a clocke.

Thursdaye, ij<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Bent, Maiour elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. William Kendrick \*, Mr. William Brackston ?.

At this daye Gealfrey Richbell was questioned for his incrochement ; required xs. fine and xs. rent ; he denyed to accept.

The Jurours for the Lawdaye have presented that Jeffrey Richebell hath made an incrochement in the fore-front of his house by building and inclosing in and upon the streete, xxv foote in length and one foote and a haulf in breadth.

[p. 310.] 3<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, *Majore*.

Th'accomptes of the fines and amerciamentes estreited by the Clarke of the Markett of the Kinge's Majestie's most honourable houshold within the verge at his Sessions within the Boroughe, 5<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1634.

Received of Frauncis Thackham uppon his accomptes of the collectinge thereof in part of payment . . . . .	xij <i>l</i> . xiijs. xd.
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Whereof paid the Clarke of the Market and his man . . . . .	50s.
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Item paid the Aletasters for all the yeare . . . . .	xxs.
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\* Marked as absent.

\* Brackstocke, MS.

Item paid and spent at the George at that tyme . . . . .			xij <i>d</i> .
Paid of that iiij <i>l</i> . vjs. Rest ix <i>l</i> . xijs. xd.			
Received more of Francis Thackham in parte of payment of the amer- ciamentes for the ij Lawdayes .	vij <i>l</i> .	xvijs.	8 <i>d</i> .
Received more for the nusaunces of swyne in the stretes . . . .		xvs.	
Received in toto for all amerciamentes . . . . }	xxij <i>l</i> .	xjs.	vj <i>d</i> .
Whereof paid the hogherdes for their paynes all the yeare . . . .		xvs.	
Item paid Christofer Grey for clensing the plumpe . . . . .			xviij <i>d</i> .
Item paid Thomas Barnes for calling lanthorne and candle, &c. . }		vs.	
Item paid Thomas Barnes by con- sent to releive his wife . . . }		vjs.	8 <i>d</i> .
Item expended in beere and other things . . . . .		iijs.	ij <i>d</i> .
Item expended at the Assizes in prosecution [of] the witches and in charges of the poore people to geve evidence . . . . }	iiij <i>l</i> .	vs. [?]	
Item paid for wine and cakes and suger at the Hall, 2 <sup>o</sup> Octobris .		ijs.	vj <i>d</i> .
Item paid George Wooldridge his charges to the Court . . . }		xlvijs.	
Item paid for a pottle of sacke at the Commission for answers [?] .		ijs.	
Item paid Mr. Burren for making the wall . . . . .			

4<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour* elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. William Brackston.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Sir Edward Clerke and other Commissioners in that behalfe apointed did take the aunswere of the said Maiour and Burgesses to the Bill of Complaint of Daniell Blagrove. Without oath, &c.

[p. 311.] Mondaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Maulthus, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Bent, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*, *egrotus*, Mr. William Brackston.

Secondarye Burgesses.

Mr. William Maulthus \*, Mr. John Saunders \*, John Dewell, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham.

At this daye and tyme Mr. Robert Bent, the newe elected Maiour, according to direccions of the Charter in the presens of his late predecessour Maiour and other the Burgesses did take the

1. Oath of Supremacie.
2. Oath of Maiour and Justice of Peace.
3. Oath of the Clerke of the Markett.

And at this daye and tyme the said Maiour by consent of his Brethren did name and apoint Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

John Jeninges	}	Cofferers, jurati.
Robert Dye		
David Elkes	}	Constables, jurati.
Richard George		
Samuell Jematt	}	gardiani in Alta garda, jurati.
Mathewe Turnour		
John Gunter	}	gardiani in London garda, jurati.
John Filpe		
John Curtis	}	gardiani in Minster garda, jurati.
Thomas Ayres		

\* Marked as absent.

Nicholas Lampire	}	gardiani in Nova garda, jurati.
John Dawson		
William Woolfe	}	gardiani in Veteri garda, jurati.
George Hancocke		

Memorandum, at this daye and tyme the said late Maiour made his accomptes openly in the Hall of all the stockes of money, rentes and revenues geven to charitable uses in this Corporacion, whiche he stood accomptable for, and whiche came to his handes and charge in the tyme of his Maioraltie as by the bill of the particulers appeareth.

And likewise the said late Maiour made publicke declaration of the handlinge and employment of the comon stocke of 3600*li.* of Mr. John Kendricke's guift and of the encrease thereof, as maye appeare by the booke and files.

At this daye George Wooldridge did take the oath of a Secondarye Burgesse.

[p. 312.] Wensdaye, 8 Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye the Law-daye for this Boroughe.

George Wooldridge	. } Constables.
Christofer Blower .	

All the x wardens were present and returned their presentmentes, prout, etc.

#### Lawdaye. Nomina Juratorum.

Georgius Wooldridge, jurator	Humfrey Milles
primus	Timothie Banister
Edward Baker [?]	Willelmus Wilder
Willelmus White	} Affirers, jurati.
Willelmus Stretche	
Ricardus Goddard	Christofer Goad
Henricus Alright	Johannes Watlington
Walter Fellowe, junior	Thomas Symes
William Plomridge	Arthur Liford
James Winche	Bartholmewe Lake
	John Parratt.

The 3<sup>d</sup> Wensdaye in Lent to geve their verdict.

William Horne	}	sworne Overseers and Searchers of Woollen cloth made within this Boroughe for one yeare from All Saints next, and bound in 40 <i>li.</i> a man, per se, etc.
Joseph East		
Edward Slarke		
William Sedburye	}	Sealers of Leather.
Henry Osborne		
Hughe Grantham		

At this daye it was agreed John Liford, the tenaunt at Whit-churche, shall have *x*s.** per annum abated of his rent untill he can enjoy the land quietly.

10 Octobris, 1634, ac x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

At this daye it was agreed that poore John Okham shall have *xij*d.** a weeke paid him out of the Charitable uses towards his mayntenance duringe his lief.

At this daye it was alsoe agreed that Richard Atwater in regard he was an auncient servant to the Mayour and Burgesses and nowe unhable to doe any further service, and for other causes, he shall have 40*s.* per annum, duringe his lief, paid him out of the Hall revenues.

Memorandum, to call the occupier of the Sawpittes in question for a rent to be paid therefore.

At this daye the 13*li.* 15*s.* 6*d.* collected for the relief of the poore people that lost their goodes by fire was devided and porcioned to provide them thinges necessarie at the discretion of the Overseers for the poore of St. Giles' parishe. Vide le file.

[p. 313.] Wensdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye one quietus, for the yeare Mr. William Kendricke was Mayour, taken out of chest and delivered to Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Maulthus for his direccions to pay in the fee-farme at Maydenhead, 16<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634.

David Elkes, constable, was willed to see to the beggers and to keepe theme from begginge at the Innes, &c.

At this daye informacion was geven that a nagg worth 40s. is in John Johnson's keeping supposed to be felons' goodes.

Wensdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*, Mr. William Brackston.

At this daye it was agreed that Richard Breddes shall have a lease of soe muche of the void ground at the Saupittes, as maye conveniently be spared, &c. Exceptinge prout, etc., and excepting libertie for the Hall tymber. To hold from Michaelmas last for xxj yeares. Yeldinge xls. per annum all the terme (if Richard Atwater live soe long, and if he dye duringe the terme, then to paye but xxs. per annum during the rest of the lease.

And that Richard Breddes shall not take above 3*d*. a load for layeing tymber there per annum.

Memorandum, the next quarter-daye to be confirmed.

At this daye Mr. Robert Maulthus brought in the quietus of the fee-farme for the yeare he was *Maiour*, &c.

Memorandum, informacion is geven that the Lane at the Barne end leading towards Cattesgrove is inclosed, &c.

Memorandum, Joseph Jones beinge willinge to leave his place of a Master Weaver in the Woole house, the place was apoynted to James Hulbert. And Richard Dangerfeild to be the journeyman.

Ferdinando Clerke was by James Winche named to be another suretye for the 1200*li*.; refer'd to the Company to be aunswered.

Memorandum, the difference betwene Jane Walker, late in the House of Correccion, and Clayton's wief, Mr. *Maiour* will examyne by the testimonye of good wief Cranedge.

[p. 314.] 23<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Agnes Smyth, spinster, complayneth that John Paise, servant to Abraham Paise, hath begotten her with childe; he had the

\* Marked as absent.



use of her body uppon St. James' Even, in the night tyme, . . . &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis post festum Pasche.

Memorandum, quod Johannes	} quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pa- cis ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc, etc. et quod interim, etc.
Paise cognovit se debere do- mino Regi <i>xxli.</i> . . . .	
Abraham Paise, de, etc. et	
Thomas Sawser manuceperunt pro ipso separatim sub pena <i>xli.</i> per se. . . . .	

Thomas Perryn saith he had carnall knowledge of the said Agnes Smith her body at the Widowe Hill's house, in the night tyme, about 13 weekes past, and as he thinketh it was about our faire, &c.

Widowe Hill and Jone Goodamader by examynacion of the circumstances doe prove Perryn's affirmacion false. The said Perryn for lacke of sureties was committed to the dungeon.

26<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

[Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam, *in margin.*]

John Hall complayneth that

Thomas Woolley of Henley, bargeman, William Straford of Henley, bargeman, with others, or one of them, hath divers tymes kutt of his boate from the tree where she was loockt, made use of the boate and left her loose uppon the River, lopt 1 ashe-tree, tooke awaye 1 hitcher, 1 pole, 1 locke, haulfe a chaync and a sholve.

Cognovit se debere domino Regi *xli.* ad prosequendum ad Sessionem Pacis proximam.

Memorandum, predictus Thomas Woolley cog- novit se debere domino Regi <i>xli.</i> . . . .	} ad comparan- dum ad proxi- mam Sessio- nem.
Edward Shippey et	
William Howse de Henley } manucep' pro ipso in <i>vli.</i> separatim	
William Straford cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xli.</i> . . . . .	} ad comparan- dum ad proxi- mam Sessio- nem.
Edward Shippey et William Howse manuc' se-	
paratim pro predicto Willelmo sub pena <i>vli.</i>	

Certificatum fuit.

[p. 315.] Tuesdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr.

Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*, Mr. William Brackston, *egrotus*.

John Dewell, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston, Arther Curtice\*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye Richard Breddes made it known to this Companye that he did and would accept of the bargayne of the wharffe as it is formerly agreed.

At this daye it was agreed that John Okham shall have xij*d*. a weeke paid him out of the Charitable uses every Mondaye, &c.

At this daye Mr. Kendricke's lettres were openly read and put uppon the file, &c.

Fridaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye the common Seale and the quietus for the yeare Mr. Robert Maulthus was *Maiour* were put in chest.

At this daye Mr. John Dewell was elected to be Hedburgesse, &c.; and at this daye the said Mr. John Dewell did take the oath of a Hedburgesse, &c.

At this daye Mr. Awsten Alexander, Robert Griffen, William Cantrell and Widowe Limboe, did complayne against William Hayes for annoyeng them with stinkes by usinge the makinge of lute-stringes with gutte, and misuseth Mr. Alexander in wordes, &c.

Uppon the hearinge of the cause he promiseth to desist and not to use the makinge of lute-stringes any more after morowe senight.

[p. 316.] 10 Novembris, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Richard Pococke of Shinsfield complaineth that upon Sundaye was fortnight about 7 or 8 in the eveninge, his wief and family being in peace in his house, his windowe lettice was taken down and gate

\* Marked as absent.

broken, his wief being with childe put in feare. And it was done by certen men dwelling in Reading [?] to the number of 9 or x, every of them havinge a hoppole on the shoulder and beatinge the doore, &c.

Henry Rowse, Edward Symons, William Ryder, William Hayes.  
Christofer Gallant denyeth the fact.

Valentine Skeat saith he was in company with them at the ale-house and Mr. Woolescottes, but not at the . . . .

William Grenwaye, Bartlemewe Harris.

xiiiij<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

At this daye Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*, and Clarke of the Market within the Borough, by and with the assistance of the Jurours for the Lawdaye, did size and seale divers bushells, peckes, gallons, ells, yardes and other measures in the Towne Hall and tried and examined them with the Standerdes, &c.

George Wooldridge, William Stretche,  
Arthur Liford, John Perott,  
Timothie Banester, John Watlington.

#### Strangers Jurneymen.

Toby Selfe, a certificate.

Edward Saye, a certificate.

John Bachiler, a certificate sent for.

John Helpe, noe certificate.

[p. 317.] Wensdaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye William Gandye gave warninge and promised to paye in his 300*li*. at Ladye daye next.

As touchinge his request to have 30*li*. restored him whiche he paid to Mr. Kendricke and Mr. Newman more then was due, refer'd untill the next generall meetinge.

Nathaniell Pawlinge, a forreyner feltmaker, promised that he and his wief wilbe gone and dwell elsewhere fourth of the Towne at or before Mondaye come sevenight at the furthest.

The petitions concerninge journeymen's wages were read and examined, prout, &c.

14<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1634.

Then Henry Hamblen promised that John Mylane and his wief, beinge forreynours shall departe the Towne uppon Mondaye next, and come noe more to the Towne to dwell. His goodes within a moneth.

17<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Then Edward Glasse, weaver, in consideracion that the Overseers of the poore of St. Marie's in Reding shall provide and keepe his childe named Thomas Glasse untill the childe shalbe able to keepe it-selfe, hath . . . demised and graunted all that his house in Readinge, nowe in the tenure of Henry Aires, and the rent and revercion thereof unto the Church-Wardens and Overseers for the poore, &c. To hold from this daye for xxj yeares, without any rent payeing therefore, untill the said childe shalbe otherwise provided for, &c., and the parishe discharged, and hath promised to make better assurance, prout, &c., per consilium advisatur cum . . . requisit'.

Edward Glasse,

Henry Eyres, attorned tenaunt.

Witnesse, Richard George, constable.

Willyam Wylmer.

[p. 318.] Tuesdaye, xxv<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

Wheras that woorthie gent'. Mr. Packer hath againe in this yeare, of his charitye, geven 80 bushells of pease towardses the relief of the poore workinge people of this Towne, nowe at this daye it was agreed that those 80 bushells of pease shalbe distributed by the

\* Marked as absent.

Magistrates and Overseers of the poore of eache parishe, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Lawrence parishe	. xxviiij	} bushells.
In St. Giles' parishe	. xxviiij	
In St. Marye parishe	. xxiiij	

Vide le file pro. . . .

At this daye the petition of the workmen weavers against Mr. William Turnour, one of the undertakers of the common stocke, whose workes they doe in the house, for better allowaunce to be made to them for their workes, was read, examined and understood by the Company present, and divers allegacions on both sides; but at this tyme not agreed upon.

At this daye William Gandye exhibited a breif memorandum of his disbursements of 3*l*. more then the stocke and goodes in his handes did amount unto, requestinge retribucion. Referd to the next Quarter-daye, or next full Companye.

At this daye Robert Terroll and Richard Hollowaye, clothiers, understandinge the differences betwene the workmasters and the workmen in Mr. Kendricke's workehouse, were requested to take the paynes till Ladye-daye next to oversee, judge and determyne of the differences betwixt the Master and his workmen; and if neither of the parties would be ruled or either of the parties to be obstinate, then to certify this Company their knowledge of and in the busynes. But with muche intreatye.

[p. 319.] Fridaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1634, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, Cofferers.

At this daye the Hall accomptes for the yere Mr. Robert Maulthus was Maior, ended at Michaelmas last, were made and geven uppe before the said Maiour and Magestrates by Richard Burren the senior Cofferer, viz<sup>t</sup>.

\* Marked as absent.

Inprimis the said Accomptant was charged with	}	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
all the certen rentes due and payable in the		241	14	3
last yeare accordinge to the rent rolle				
Item, with certen old quitrentes . . . . .		00	12	2
Item, with the rentes of encrochementes . . . . .		00	10	10
Item, with the receipt of divers uncerten receiptes,	}	120	9	11
as fines for leases, herriottes, and other				
duties growen due in the last yeare . . . . .				
		363	07	2
Ordinary paymentes, per rols . . . . .		163	2	8
Extraordinarye paymentes . . . . .		116	19	5
		280	2	1

Whiche 280*li.* beinge deducted their restes to paye  
the Hall debt, &c. . . . . 68 10 9*d.*  
More received of Francis Thackham . . . . . 02 00 0  
More in arrerages of rentes unpaid . . . . . 13 14 4

And the Cofferer was then required to paye the 50*li.* due to  
Charitable uses.

[p. 320.] 16<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso,  
*Majore.*

The confession of John Ricaelt, of Odiham, in the county of  
Southampton, lymner, whoe beinge examined saith he dwelleth at  
Odiham with his uncle John Ricaelt, a distiller of mettells and waters  
for the Lord Arundle, &c. Saith he dwelt there with his uncle  
3 yeres or more and there hath used to drawe pictures, &c., and  
before that tyme he dwelt at Sonninge Hill with his said uncle, and  
was borne in the Low Cuntries, and this uncle brought him into  
England, first to London, then to Sonninge Hill and afterwarde  
to Odiham, and there nowe liveth with his said uncle, and hath done  
these 3 yeares. And beinge demanded the cause of his coming  
to this Towne, saith by his uncle's direcions to sell that peice of silver  
mettell in Mr. Mayour's handes, being ij ounces of silver. Not  
spooner silver, nor trencher silver, but onely of a pounce [?]. He came  
to Towne without any company: yet knoweth all the Towne of  
Odiham. Comitted to ward till further examinacion.

Mr. John Feilder by hue and crye shewed that his house was broken, and lost silver plate.

And Mr. Garrat [?] of Lamborne the like.

Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Memorandum, Ricardus Barrett cognovit se debere domino Regi *xxlii*. sub condicione quod compareat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.

Willelmus Blackman, de Tilehurst, cognovit pro se sub pena *xlii*. quod predictus Ricardus compareat, etc.

Memorandum quod [*blank*] de Ashampstede prosequatur versus Ricardum Barrett.

[p. 321.] xvij<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1634, ac x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke \*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye it was agreed that the Sergeauntes shall have newe clokes fourthwith.

iiij*li*. of Mr. Kemishe's guift was this daye distributed to 24 poore householders in this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>. :

9 in St. Lawrence parishe.

9 in St. Giles' parishe.

6 in St. Marye parishe.

iiij*li*. of Mr. Edward Hamblen's guift was this daye distributed to ten poore men, whereof ij Butchers viijs. a peice.

4 in St. Lawrence parishe.

3 in St. Marie's parishe.

3 in St. Giles' parishe.

x shirtes and smockes of Mr. Pococke's.

4 in St. Marie's parishe.

3 in St. Lawrence parishe.

3 in St. Giles' parishe.

\* Marked as absent.



St. Lawrence parishe, 8s.  
 John Rumsey, Richard Davye,  
 Edward Atye, Francis Payne,  
 Lawrence Barnes, per mistake.

3s. 4d.

Richard Knight, Widow Francklyn,  
 Nicholas Blackman, John Hachman,  
 Francis Filpe, Widowe Dawson,  
 John Nashe, Goodwief Jones [?],  
 Lawrence Barnes.

[p. 322.] Quarter day. Die Veneris, xix<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1634,  
 et x<sup>o</sup> Caroli, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Mayour*<sup>3</sup>. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight,  
 Scenescallus, John Saunders \*, Esq.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maul-  
 thus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John  
 Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, *egrotus*, Mr. John Dewell.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

Mr. William Maulthus \*, George Thorne, Anthony Brackston,  
 Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren, John Jenynges, Robert Dye \*,  
 William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas  
 Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye uppon the request of Mr. Thomas Turnour, and by  
 meanes of his surrendour of a lease he had for many yeares to come,  
 depending uppon 3 of his lives, of a barne and garden in St. Giles'  
 parishe at 40s. rent per annnum, parcell of the landes belonging to  
 Charitable uses.

Lease. A newe lease thereof was granted to Robert Westmer-  
 land, to hold for 99 yeares (if he, Robert and John, two of his sonnes,  
 live so long), at 40s. rent and herriott, if, &c., and under the usuall  
 covenantes, &c. hoping of a sufficient dwellinge-house in the roometh  
 of the barne, but noe tye thereunto.

<sup>3</sup> The Mayor's name is generally bracketed with the Capital Burgesses, Sir Ed.  
 Clerke and J. Saunders' names being to the right of the Mayor's. \* Marked as absent.

Concerninge William Moore and his mother-in-lawe.

It appeares that her husband Smith agreed with William Moore to accept for the moietye bequeathed by Henry Moore's will to his daughter  $xj\text{li}$ . per annum, whereof for this last yeare it appeers there is  $9\text{li}$ .  $5s$ . due, whiche is presently to be paid. And if it appeere to Mr. Dewell that William Moore hath laid fourth for his mother-in-lawe, or that she hath had any moneyes of him not alreadye allowed, shalbe allowed unto him out of the next yeare's rent.

And where William Moore received of his mother-in-lawe  $40s$ . towards the binding and placinge of his brother, William nowe agreed to geve securitie to Mr. Wylmer to paye him  $v\text{li}$ .  $8s$ . this tyme twelvemoneth, for the placinge of his brother; and if his brother dyeth in the interim then William is to paye the  $40s$ . to his mother-in-lawe.

Vide le file hujus anni.

Lease. At this daye alsoe a lease of the ground of Sawpittes was agayne graunted to Richarde Breddes; to hold from Michaellmas last for  $xxj$  yeers, yelding all the tyme (if Richard Atwater live soe longe)  $20s$ . quarterly; and if Richard Atwater dye within the terme, then afterward to paye but  $13s$ .  $4d$ . per annum for  $xxj$  yeres then to come after Richard Atwater's death; the ground to be first measured per le Cofferer; he shall take but  $ijd$ . a load for Townesmen's wharfidge and nothinge for the Hall . . . Vide le $j$  file.

At this daye Richard Edmondes, an upholster, was graunted his libertie to use the trade of an upholster, uppon condicion, he payeinge  $v\text{li}$ . fine and givinge bond to forbear retailing some thinges, &c. if Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders can by lawe make the bond good.

Frauncis Plommer's petition refer'd to the viewe of the Cofferers, and they at the next quarter to certifiye the worth of the house per annum, and then the petition to be aunswered.

Memorandum, 3 trees are allowed to John Liford towards the reparacions or buyldinge of the barne at Whitchurche, to be taken when he will goe on with the building.

[p. 323.] Wensdaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1634.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell.

The order made by the said Maiour and Justices, touching the keepinge of the bastard female childe begotten of the bodye of Suzan Dan, spinster, in the House of Correccion, the said Justices uppon examynacion of the matter founde Edward Clayton to be the reputed father, and that he from hencefourth shall paye to the Overseers of the poore of St. Marie's parishe, in Readinge, xij*d.* every weeke, and the said Suzan vj*d.* every weeke for the keepinge of the said bastard childe, the said paymentes to contynue untill the bastard childe be xij yeares of age. And the said Edward Clayton shall for his offence be committed to the House of Correccion and the xij*d.* to be paid weekly out of that whiche he shall gett by his labour in the said house, untill he put in securitye to performe this order of his parte to be performed.

Afterwardes the said Edward Clayton and Henry Maynard became bound to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the poore of St. Marye parishe for weekly payment towards the keepinge of the said bastard childe, to their good likinge; whiche bond is in their handes, vizt. William Elkins' and John Evans'.

[p. 324.] 11<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Nathaniell Mason, of the Universitie of Cambridge, Master of Artes, enformeth that Elizabeth Hill, the wife of Edward Hill now in the gaole at Readinge, did breake the gaole at Bedford in the countie of Bedford since the last Assizes holden in and for the said countie.

And uppon her examinacion shee saith shee is the wife of Edward Hill, nowe a prisoner in Readinge gaole, and that her husband and shee were prisoners in Bedford gaole at the last Assizes there holden; and about 7 or 8 weekes since the Assizes her husband and shee, together with one William Bridges and Dorothe his wife, did in the night tyme escape and goe out of the gaole at the utter doore of the gaole, by what meanes the doore was sett open shee knoweth not.

And shee for her parte hath beene about this Towne all this weeke past, or thereabouts, and lodged in the Gaole; noe company. Shee hath lodged every night in the Gaole theis ix or x nightes. Shee hath a childe of a yeare and halfe of age and is nowe in this towne of Readinge at the house of an old woman named [blank], and

paid for by the moneth. They spent their tyme in divers places since their coming out of Bedford gaole, but most about Westminster. Required to finde sureties for her good behaviour. For lacke of sureties committed to Counter and after ij dayes to the comon Gaole.

12<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Margaret Abrey, spinster, complayneth that she is with childe begotten by Thomas Kenton, servant to Mr. John Castell, of Readinge, for he had carnall knowledge of her bodye in his lodgeinge chamber, in Mr. John Castell's house at Caversham, they beinge both servantes to Mr. Castle, in barley harvest last past and at other tymes since, promisinge her mariage.

The said Thomas Kenton confesseth he had the use of her body about that tyme, but never promised her mariage.

Postea, 4 Aprilis, 1635, relaxavit quia non est gravid' per Elizabetham Franklyn, matrem ipsius Margarete.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam post festum Pasche.

Memorandum quod predictus Thomas Kenton cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> . et Johannes Castell manucepit pro predicto Thoma Kenton sub pena x <i>li</i> .	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
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Vide le file.

[p. 325.] 14<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maior*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye an end of the controversie dependinge in question betwene the said Maiour and Burgesses and the Widowe Harwood, concerninge her possession of their cottage house and landes at Whitchurche, was had and made by the mediacion of Richard Libbe, Esquire, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>. Mr. Richard Libbe and Raphe Whistler, gent., shall have a lease of the house and little garden as it is inclosed for xxj yeares (if the said Widowe Harwood soe longe shall live), at and for iiij*s*. rent per annum and keepinge the house in tenantable reparacions, &c.

Lease. John Liford shall have a lease of the same cottage house and of all the land (exceptinge the house and garden, duringe



the lief of the Widowe Harwood), yeldinge yearly 46s. rent duringe the terme, and if the Widowe Harwood dye duringe his lease, then 50s. per annum duringe his lease and keepinge reparacions. (Exceptinge the trees.)

At this daye James Winche was agayne called to geve better securitye for the 1200*li.*, and agreed and by him promised that if he doe not tender to the said Mayour and Burgesses good securitye suche as they shall allowe of one moneth before Ladye-daye next, that then at Midsomer next he shall paye in all the stocke of 1200*li.* without faile.

Memorandum, to warne Mr. Daniell Blagrove to appeare at the Hall uppon Fridaye next by viij of the clocke in the morninge.

[p. 326.] Tuesdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*.

Mr. John Saunders, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye it was agreed that iiij*li.* xs. due to Mr. Sanders shalbe paid him out of Mr. Kendricke's accomptes, because it arose by meanes of Steven Langley's sute against the Maiour and Burgesses.

Memorandum, the bill is uppon the file of Mr. Newman's yeare of Maioraltie and the reason it was unpaid soe long was for lacke of money, and since not called for till nowe.

19<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634.

At this daye Mr. Maiour did take accompt of the moneys he had geven to charitable uses and it appeareth by the tickettes he had geven 7*li.* 10s. to divers uses.

11<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Nathaniell Mason, of the Universitie of Cambridge, Master of Artes, one of the sonnes of the keeper of Bedford gaole, informeth that Elizabeth Hill, the wief of Edward Hill nowe prisoner in Reading gaole, did breake the gaole at Bedford in the county of Bedford and there hence escaped sithence the last Assises holden at Bedford, and that she is nowe lurkinge near about this towne of Readinge.

\* Marked as absent.

[Assises, *in margin.*] Th'examinacion of Elizabeth Hill, &c.

Whoe saith she is the wief of Edward Hill, nowe a prisoner in Readinge gaole, and that her husband and she were heretofore prisoners in Bedford gaole at the last Assises there holden; and that about 7 or 8 weekes since the last Assises her husband and she together with one William Bridges and Dorothe his wief in the night tyme did escape and goe fourth of the gaole at and by the utter dore of the gaole; but by what meanes the dore was opened she knoweth not. And that she for her parte hath byn about this Towne all this weeke past, and lodged in the Gaole with her husband every night.

She had noe companye: but she hath a childe aged a yeare and haulf kept in this towne of Readinge, at the house of an old woman called [*blank*], paid for by the moneth; and that her husband and shee have spent their tyme in divers places, but most about Westminster. Comitted to Gaole.

[p. 327.] 26<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore.*

William Staunton, the keeper of his Majestie's gaole at Readinge, complayneth that he had in his custodie the bodyes of Daniell Wickam and Marye his wief and Thomas Cooke and Anne his wief committed into his keepinge for severall felonies by them committed.

And for that uppon Wensdaye, the xxth daye of this Januarye, about viij of the clocke in the night tyme, all iiij<sup>or</sup> escaped fourth of the said Gaole, all the doores and lockes in and about the said Gaole fast lockt and shutt in the next morninge.

And further saith that he suspecteth that one William Turnour, a shereman, beinge his hired servant and put in trust aswell to oversee and looke to his clothinge busynes, as to his prisoners in his absence, and to doe all suche busynes as he had for him to doe in and about the Gaole and houshold affaires, knoweing this complainant to be at London, was the onely meanes that those prisoners did escape out of the Gaole.

For the next daye after the night in whiche they escaped, being Thursdaye, he the said William Turnour, without any leave or consent of his Dame or any of his Master's familie, went careleslye

away at his owne pleasure, and was absent from his Master's service untill the Saturdaye then next followeing.

The examynacion of the said William Turnour.

Whoe saith that he hath lived in Readinge about haulf a yeare with William Staunton, the gaoler, as his hired servant, takinge vs. a weeke wages, and findinge himself meate and drinke, doeinge suche busynes in dressinge his cloth and dyeinge his wooll, and sometimes to looke to the prisoners, (but not as under-gaoler).

And saith alsoe that he was acquaynted with Daniell Wickam and his wief, and with Thomas Cooke and his wief, soe longe as they were in the Gaole, but not before. And that his master at his goeing to London willed him to have care of his clothinge busynes, but not of the Gaole, nor of any prisoners therein.

And further this Examinee saith that, in the afternoone his master William Staunton went to London, he spent some tyme in the companie of the said Thomas Cooke and Daniell Wickam in drinkinge in the Gaole in the company of another man, beinge a Worcestershiere man, whose name he remembreth not. But denyeth that he fetcht the keyes of the dungeon out of his Master's chamber to lett William Wickam out to fetch a boxe he had in the kitchen, and Thomas Cooke to have some victualls after they were lockt in the dungeon, but at their knocking he found the keyes in the doore and lett them fourth, to fetch suche things, and staid with them above untill they were put downe again into the dungeon, trusting to the maides lockinge of them in, whiche was about ix of the clocke or past, before [they] went to bed; and he lodged all that night in the house, and on Thursdaye morninge the prisoners were gone; he spent his tyme about the house and would have gone to a cunninge woman, or to a cunning man, as he was directed, but his Dame was not willing he should doe soe.

Willelmus Staunton cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. ad prosequendum. Agnes Jeninges, spinster, ad testificandum.

[p. 328.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer

\* Marked as absent.



Turnour\*, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye William Grenewaye, one of the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence parishe, complayned and said it is almost a usuall course with his neighbour Henry Clere, many Saturdaye nightes to entertheyne and keepe straungers in his house, drinkeinge, ftinge and roringe in suche sort in the night tyme, cryeing out murder, &c., that the neighbours are thereby muche disquieted and cannot take their rest, viz<sup>t</sup>. Saturdaye night and Sondag morninge, 18<sup>o</sup> Januarii.

John Mabberley informeth and complayneth in like manner for divers tymes in yeares past.

6<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.  
Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

The Constable, viz<sup>t</sup>. Richard George, uppon some informacion, found Julyam Kinge, th'apprentice of Humfrey Milles, mercer, disorderly drunke or drinkeinge about 9 or 10 of the clocke in the night, and then and there abused the Cunstable and officers at the house of William Evered, a vitler, without licence. The whiche beinge examyned the said Julyan was required to finde sureties, &c. whiche he then peremptorily refused, &c.

Postea, 7 <sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1634, coram eodem	} quod ipse compa- reat ad proxi- mam Sessionem Pacis ad, etc. et quod interim se bene geret, etc.
Roberto Bent, <i>Majore</i> , predictus Julianus	
cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> . .	
Johannes Harrison, woollendrapere, et	
Richard Owyn, taylour, manuceperunt pro	
predicto Juliano sub pena x <i>li</i> . per se	
apud Readinge, etc. x <i>li</i> . . .	

Ad Sessionem Pacis post festum vel clausum Pasche, etc.

[p. 329.] iiij<sup>to</sup> Januarii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*, et aliis.

The confession of Isaack Treherne.

Whoe, beinge demaunded howe longe he had knowne Edward Hill, now a prisoner in the Gaole, and by what meanes he knewe him and had acquayntaunce with him, saith in the last yeare this Examine dwelt in the Crowne, the said Edward Hill lodged one tyme and one night in the said house as a guest. And sithence this

\* Marked as absent.

Examine dwelt from the Crowne, the said Edward Hill lodged one night at the house where this Examine now dwelleth and had noe companye with him. And about a quarter of a yeare or more past, the said Hill and his wief, with a childe, came ridinge uppon a good horse to this Examine's house and would have lodged there, but this Examine could not entertheyne them, but got them lodgeinge at the Crowne, and that is all the acquayntance he had with him, and did never see nor knowe of any goodes he carryed or brought with him. And as toucheinge the placinge of the said Hill's childe in the Towne this Examine is ignorant and knewe not of it.

The confession of [blank] Trehearne, the wief of the said Isaacke Treherne.

Whoe, beinge examined concerninge the said Edward Hill, saith she had noe acquayntaunce with him in any other manner then thus, about a quarter of a yeare or more nowe past, the said Edward Hill came to her house with his wief and childe, and horse, requestinge lodgeinge, and she, beinge not provided for them all, gott them lodgeing at the Crowne, for when she dwelt at the Crowne the said Edward Hill did lodge there once, and but once to her knowledge; but as touchinge the placinge or leavinge of their childe in the Towne, she is altogether ignorant.

And further saith that about vij or viij weekes past the said Edward Hill and ij or iij other men in his companye came to her house, but stayed not one hower; all of them went awaye together. And that night the said Edward Hill returned himself and lodged there that night alone, and what became of the rest of his companye this Examine knoweth not.

And further saith shee did never see or receave any plate or other goodes that the said Edward Hill or any of his companye had in their keepinge or brought into her house at any tyme.

[p. 330.] Ashe-Wensdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1634. Coram, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *generosus*, *Major*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

\* Marked as absent.

[11<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1634. Coram Franciso Knollys, milite, *in the margin.*]

4 William Kinge, vitler,	Thomas Wilder, vit-	
in . . . xli.	ler, in . . .	xli.
Georgius Nethercott, in vli.	Robertus Creede,	Old Ward.
Johannes Browne, in . vli.	vitler, in . . .	vli.
Johannes Browne, vitler,	Humfredus Hewse,	
in . . . xli.	vitler, in . . .	vli.
Mathew Bond, vitler, in vli.		
William Kinge, barber,	William Evered, vitler, in . xli.	
in . . . vli.	Phillip Shiler, vitler, in . vli.	
Mathew Bond, vitler, in xli.	Henry Dason, tayler, in . vli.	
Johannes Tidder, vitler,		
in . . . vli.	Johannes Poore, vitler, in . xli.	
Nicholas Middleton, vit-	Johannes Pinock, vitler, in . vli.	
ler, in . . . xli.	William Kenton, vitler, in . vli.	
Johannes Tidder, vitler,		
in . . . xli.	High Ward.	
Mathew Bond, vitler, in vli.	Henricus Cleere, vitler, in . xli.	
Nicholas Midleton, vit-	Georgius Nethercott, in . vli.	
ler, in . . . vli.	William Porter, in . . . vli.	
Nicholas Midleton, vit-		
ler, in . . . xli.	William Porter, vitler, in . xli.	
Mathew Bond, vitler, in vli.	Henricus Cleere, in . . . vli.	
Johannes Tidder, vitler,	Georgius Nethercott, in . vli.	
in . . . vli.		
Robert Creede, vitler, in xli.	Georgius Man, vitler, in . xli.	
Humfredus Hewes, vit-	William More, vintner, in . vli.	
ler, in . . . vli.	Johannes Watlington, in . vli.	
Thomas Wilder, vitler, in vli.		
Humfredus Hewes, vit-	William More, vintner, in . xli.	
ler, in . . . xli.	Georgius Man, vitler, in . vli.	
Robertus Creede, vitler, in vli.	John Watlington, in . . . vli.	
Thomas Wilder, vitler, in vli.		
	John Watlington, vitler, in xli.	
	William Moore, vintner, in vli.	
	George Man, vitler, in . . . vli.	

4 The 30 names following are in the first column [High Ward?].

Johannes Hickes, vint- ner, in . . . xli.	Jone Lymboe, vidua . . xli.
Edwardus Andrewes, vitler, in . . . vli.	Johannes Jones . . . vli.
Henricus Eyres, vitler, in . . . vli.	Willelmus Cooper . . vli.
<sup>5</sup> Edwardus Andrewes, vitler, in . . . xli.	Johannes Jones . . . xli.
Johannes Hickes, vint- [n]er, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Shawe . . . xli.
Henricus Eyres, vitler, in vli.	pro Roberto Lege
	Francis Nethercliff . . xli.
	Thomas Skyner . . . xli.
	pro Henrico Roo [?]
	Francis Nethercliff . . xli.
	Thomas Skyner . . . xli.
Henricus Mollyns, vitler, in . . . xli.	Johannes Gateley, vitler, in xli.
Thomas Sawcer, vitler, in vli.	Radulphus Coxhead, yeo- man, in . . . vli.
Edwardus Holloway, vitler, in . . . vli.	Johannes Noble, vitler, in . vli.
	Minster Ward.
Johannes Johnson, vitler, in . . . xli.	Henrie Eyres } in . . xli.
Isack York, vitler, in . vli.	Johannes Burren } in . . xli.
Henricus Mollyns, vitler, in . . . vli.	pro Payne Canterell, in- holder
Johannes Arther, vitler, in . . . xli.	Johannes Backhowse, vitler, in . . . xli.
Francis Thackham, in . vli.	Ricardus Walker, vitler, in . vli.
Roger Symmons, butcher vli.	Ricardus Underwood, vit- ler, in . . . vli.
	Ricardus Walker, vitler, in xli.
[p. 331.] Johannes Clinton, yeoman, in . . . xli.	Ricardus Underwood, vit- ler, in . . . vli.
Jerom Pocock, senior, vitler, in . . . xli.	Johannes Backhowse, vitler, in . . . vli.
pro Jone Dewell, vidua, inholder	Ricardus Underwood, vitler, in . . . xli.
Thomas Hatton . . . xli.	Ricardus Walker, vitler, in vli.
Francis Thackham . . vli.	Johannes Backhowse, vitler, in . . . vli.
Thomas Hatton . . . vli.	

<sup>5</sup> These three have 'Mi[n]ster Ward' against their names.

Johannes Pinnock, vitler,		Johannes Mapleton, vitler,	
in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
William Kenton, vitler,		Samuel Jemett, yeoman, in	<i>vli.</i>
in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham, yeoman,	
Johannes Poore, vitler, in	<i>vli.</i>	in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
William Kenton,		Phillis Stockwell, vidua,	
vitler, in .	<i>xli.</i>	vitler, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Pin-	Old Ward.	Francis Thackham, yeo-	
nock, vitler, in	<i>vli.</i>	man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Poore,		Ould Ward.	
vitler, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Sawcer, vitler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Markham, in-		Henricus Mollyns, vitler, in	<i>vli.</i>
keper, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Hollowaye, vit-	
Thomas Skynner, yeo-		ler, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Philippus Shiler, vitler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Nicholao Noble,		Edwardus Holloway, vitler,	
inkeper		in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Markham, in-		Thomas Sawcer, vitler, in .	<i>vli.</i>
keper, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Holloway, vitler,	
Francis Thackham, yeo-		in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Philippus Shiler, vitler, in .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Johanne Atkins,		Thomas Sawcer, vitler, in .	<i>vli.</i>
vitler		Nathaniel Blackman, vitler,	
Francis Thackham, yeo-		in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Humferie, vitler, in	<i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Coxhead,		Johannes Eales, vitler, in .	<i>vli.</i>
yeoman, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Humferies,	
pro Johanne Milke-		vitler, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
sop, inkeper		Johannes Eales, vit-	New Ward.
Radulphus Coxhead,		ler, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
yeoman, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Nathaniel Black-	
Thomas Skynner, yeo-		man, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Eales, vitler, in .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Henrico Husker,		Nathaniel Blackman, in .	<i>vli.</i>
vitler		Johannes Humferies, vitler,	
		in . . .	<i>vli.</i>

Henricus Dason,		Henricus Salmon	. xli.
vitler, in	. xli.	Ricardus Markham	. vli.
Johannes Hum-	New Ward.	Radulphus Coxed	. vli.
feries, vitler, in	. vli.		
William Evered,		London Ward.	
vitler, in	. vli.	Jerom Pocock, senior, vitler,	
		in	. xli.
[p. 332.] Jerome Pocock,		Jerom Pocock, junior, vitler,	
vitler, in	. xli.	in	. vli.
William Hulbert, vitler,		Johannes Gateley, vitler, in	. vli.
in	. xli.		
pro Thoma <sup>6</sup> Streate,		Jerom Pocock, junior, vitler,	
vitler		in	. xli.
		Jerom Pocock, senior, in	. vli.
William Hulberd, vitler,		Johannes Gateley, vitler, in	. vli.
in	. xli.		
Isack Trehearne, vitler,		Wigmore Quick, vitler, in	. xli.
in	. vli.	Jerom Pocock, senior, vitler,	
Isack York, vitler, in	. vli.	in	. vli.
		Jerom Pocock, junior, vitler,	
Francisus Browne, vitler,		in	. vli.
in	. xli.		
William Hulbard, vitler,		Daniel Marten, vitler, in	. xli.
in	. vli.	Henricus Mollyns, vitler, in	. vli.
Roger Symons, butcher,		Wigmore Quick, vitler, in	. vli.
in	. vli.		
		Isack York, vitler, in	. xli.
Ricardus Holmes, in	. xli.	Wigmore Quick, vitler, in	. xli.
William Marshall	. vli.	pro Ellys Sheppard, in-	
John Tucker	. vli.	holder	
Willelmus Marshall	. xli.	Edwardus Symmons, vitler,	
Ricardus Holmes	. vli.	in	. xli.
Jhon Cule [?]	. vli.	Isack York, vitler, in	. vli.
		Henricus Mollyns, in	. vli.
Ricardus Markham	. xli.	Isack Yorke, vitler, in	. xli.
Henricus Salmon	. vli.	Isack Trehearne, in	. vli.
Radulphus Coxed	. vli.	Edwardus Symmons, in	. vli.

<sup>6</sup> Thome, MS.

Isack Treherne, vitler, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Dey . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, vit- ler, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Bagley . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Isack Yorke, vitler, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Ley . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Wickyns . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Bagley . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Ley . . .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Henrico Bird, egr'		pro Johanne [?]	
Willelmus Wickyns pro se . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spenser . . .	<i>[x]li.</i>
Thomas Skynner . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Bennett Bailey . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Towne . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Shawe . . .	<i>vli.</i>
William White . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Wimper [?]	<i>vli.</i>
William Milnner [?] . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Wimper [?] . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham, yeo- man, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Bennett Bailey . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Nethercliff, hus- bandman, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>	[p. 333.] Butchers.	
pro Willelmo Evered, vitler		Henry Hamblyn, butcher, in	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Markham . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Michel Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Nicolao Coply		Michel Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Bagley . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Ley . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Ireland . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Ley . . .	<i>xli.</i>	Michel Hamblyn, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Bagley . . .	<i>vli.</i>	Henric Hamblin, butcher, in . . .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Ireland . . .	<i>xli.</i>		
Willelmus Bagley . . .	<i>vli.</i>		
Thomas Ley . . .	<i>vli.</i>		



William Wright, butcher, in . . . xli.	Willelmus Clinton, butcher, in . . . xli.
Reynell Cranige, butcher vli.	Ricardus Bagley, butcher, in . . . vli.
William Venge, butcher, in . . . vli.	Johannes Noble, vitler, in . vli.
Reynold Cranidge, butcher, in . xli.	Ricardus Bagley, butcher, in . . . xli.
William Venge, butcher, in . . . vli.	Willelmus Clinton, butcher, in . . . vli.
William Wright, butcher, in . . . vli.	Johannes Noble, vitler, in . vli.
William Venge, butcher, in . . . xli.	Richardus Cranedge . xli.
Reynold Cranidge, butcher, in . vli.	William Vinge . vli.
William Wright, butcher, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Marston [?] . vli.
Johannes Wooddiard, butcher, in . xli.	Ricardus Marston [?] . xli.
William Grover, butcher, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Cranedg . vli.
Rogerus Symmons, butcher, in . vli.	William Vinge . vli.
Rogerus Symons, butcher, in . xli.	Willelmus Vinge . xli.
William Grover, butcher, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Cranedge . vli.
Johannes Woddward, butcher, in . xli.	Ricardus Marston [?] . vli.
Willelmus Johnes, butcher, in . xli.	Edwardus Brackston . xli.
Francis Thackham, yeo- man, in . . . vli.	Willelmus Turnour . xli.
Francis Nethercliffe, hus- bandman, in . vli.	Thomas West . xli.
	Johannes Jones . xli.
	Ricardus Shawe . xli.
	Francis Thackham, yeoman, in . . . xli.
	Thome West, butcher, in . xli.
	pro Johanne Porter, butcher

[p. 334.] Mondaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

<sup>7</sup> Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke, Mr. John Dewell.

Th'Assizes shalbe holden here in Readinge uppon Tuesdaye, the xxiiij<sup>th</sup> of this Februarye.

At this daye it was agreed that preparacion shalbe made to-wardes th'interteynement of the Judges and Clarkes of the Assises, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's house as heretofore, he havinge satisfaccion, prout, etc.

The Clarke of th'Assises at Mistris Blake's and Thomas Bateman's.

Other lodgeinges at

Richard Stampe's, John Nashe's,

Mr. Arther Curtis', Mr. Richard Burren's.

Mr. Thomas Turnour shall allowe 3 kilderkyns of beere, and he shalbe paid for it.

iiij haulf gallons of sacke.

ij gallons of clarett.

j veale.

j mutton.

et ij<sup>obus</sup> Scenescallis xs. a peice.

The Judges' horses at Christofer Kenton's house.

The Clarkes' of the Assises horses at Henry Byrde's.

The Inholders gave ij quarters of oates.

The price of ale and beere was assessed.

Double beere.

The barrell, viijs., and soe after that rate.

Single beere.

The barrell, iijs., and soe after that rate, &c.

The price of mault in the market about 24s. or 25s. the quarter.

<sup>7</sup> The names not marked.

[p. 335.] Quarter-daye, die Veneris, xx<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> Caroli, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Mayour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

Secondary Burgesses.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, George Thorne, Anthony Brackstone, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the Tenement in St. Giles' parische, late in Mr. Doctour Taylour's holdinge was graunted to John Parr; to hold from Ladye-daye next for xxj yeares; yeldinge yearly rent xls. haulf yerely. The leasse[e] to repayre fence and bound, and under all other usuall covenantes as in the Hall leases, &c.; the lessee to be bound to repaire.

Memorandum, to measure the ground, length and breadth.

At this daye John Wigg exhibited his petition to have a newe lease of that parte of his house whiche belongeth to the Hall, and because there was a former petition lately exhibited in the behaulfe of Henry Plommer's children for the same house, it was refer'd untill Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders shalbe at the Hall to have the hearinge of the cause with the Company.

At this daye Richard Shawe made petition to have a newe lease of his shoppe in Fisher Rewe, and refer'd to be viewed by the Cofferers.

At this daye speaches were had with Richard Breddes and Robert Westmerland about the newe building of the Bridge lately fallen, but nothing then agreed about the building.

Memorandum, the copie of Mr. John Blagrove's will was lent to Mr. Gunter to peruse and to be brought in agayne at his next cominge to the Hall.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 336.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye Augustine Clemente, paynter, and his servant Thomas Wheeler did take the oath of Supremacie and Allegiaunce, intendinge to goe into Newe England.

Mondaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1634, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Nicholas Gunter, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. William Kendricke\*, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye the petitions formerly exhibited by John Wigg and his grandchildren, Henry Plomer's children, concerninge the renewinge of the lease of parte of John Wigge's dwelling house, were taken into consideracion; and, seeinge the busynes concerneth infantes fatherles and motherles, the busynes was refer'd untill the said Maiour and Burgesses shall consider further of the cause.

At this daye some differences betwixt the Serjeantes were heard and agreed, viz<sup>t</sup>.

That the ij younger Serjcantes, or either, shall not keepe any man by either of them arrested in his or their houses as a prisoner all the night, but shall have the partie arrested to the Counter that night at the furthest; and that the Counter keeper shall aunswere the Puisne Serjeant the fee of xiiij*d*. for everye prisoner soe by either of them brought thither; and if any suche prisoner happen to be bailed, then the Counter keeper shall paye to Mr. Steward for the baile, and the Counter keeper to take his fee, v*d*. of the prisoner; and the Puisne Serjeant to have his fee for goodes attached and brought to the Counter as . . . .

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 337.] Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1634, ac anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. x<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye George Thorne was chosen a Capitall Burgesse in the roometh and place of Mr. Nicholas Gunter, deceased, and at this daye he tooke the oath of Supremacye and the oath of a Capitall Burgesse, prout, etc.

At this daye alsoe Anthony Brackston was chosen a Capitall Burgesse in the rometh and place of Mr. William Kendricke, late deceased; and at this daye and tyme he did take the oath of Supremacie and the oath of a Capitall Burgesse, prout, etc.

Mr. William Maulthus, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, Robert Dye, Thomas Harrison, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye the iiij Almes-men and one woman for Mr. William Kendricke's almes-houses in Sivier streete were chosen, viz<sup>t</sup>.

William Cowper, broadweaver, John Carden, broadweaver,  
Thomas Lane, broadweaver, John Bendye, clothworker,  
Alice Poynter, widowe.

All of them aged and past worke to gett their livinges, &c.

[p. 338.] Wensdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> of Marche, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. William Malthus.

Arther Curtis\*, Richard Burren\*, John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye eleccion of the 3 poor Maide-servantes to cast the lottes uppon Good Fridaye next for the xx nobles was made, for eache parishe one, viz<sup>t</sup>.

\* Marked as absent.



In St. Marye parishe, Marye Southey, servant to William Jacobb 14 yeaeres.

In St. Lawrence parishe, Avis, servant to William Grenewaye [*blank*] yeaeres.

In St. Giles' parishe, Anne West, servant to John Booth [*blank*] yeres.

Memorandum, Mr. Thomas Newman said he will either by himself or by another geve securitye to the Mayour and Burgesses to their good liking for James Winche, concerninge the stocke in his handes, soe it maye contynue, &c.

Memorandum, this daye Mr. Robert Saxbye for 100*li*. hath sold the house and landes late in Widowe Owin's occupacion, in Burfeild, to the Maiour and Burgesses of Readinge, (they taking it charged with his sister's dower,) otherwise they to geve him 120*li*. and Mr. Saxbye to cleere the dower; and this at their choise betwixt this and Maye daye, (he alloweing the haulfe yeaere's rent due to the 120*li*.)

Mr. Saxbie's house is in great St. Bartholmewe's betwene the Golden Wheatsheafe and the Plompe there.

Mr. Robert Dye and Mr. Thomas Thackham shall viewe the house and landes.

[p. 339.] Good Fridaye, 27 Martii, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Malthus, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren\*, John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye Toby Marten, the assignee of Mr. Joseph Blagrove, paid the x*li*. due this daye, accordinge to the last will and testament of Mr. John Blagrove, decessed, in a newe leather purse and it was distributed as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Marye Southey, servant to Mr. William

Jacobb, that did wyn the lott . . . . . v*li*. xiijs. iij*d*

\* Marked as absent.

To the Churchwardens of St. Marie's parishe .	xxs.
To the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence parishe	xxs.
To the Churchwardens of St. Giles' parishe .	vjs.
To the Preacher of St. Lawrence . . .	xs.
To the Churchwarden . . .	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Clarke and Sexten . . .	vjs. 8 <i>d</i> .

The 3 poore Maidservantes elected to cast the lottes this daye.

3. Anne West for St. Giles' parishe.
2. Marye Southey for St. Marye.
1. Avis Hawkyns for St. Lawrens parishe.

Memorandum, this is the iiijth yeare from the last 5th yeare for Southcott maid to come to cast the lottes.

At this daye the iiij*l*. of William Legge's guift was distributed to xxiiij poore housholders, viz<sup>t</sup>.

8 in St. Marie's parishe	} iijs. iiij <i>d</i> . a peice.
8 in St. Lawrence parishe	
8 in St. Giles' parishe	

At this daye alsoe iij*l*. of Widowe Worsley's guift by direccions of her will was distributed to lx poore Widowes of this Corporacion, viz<sup>t</sup>. to :

- 25 in St. Lawrence parishe.
  - 25 in St. Giles' parishe.
  - 10 in St. Marye parishe.
- Their names upon le file.

[p. 340.] Mondaye, the 13 of Aprill, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

\* Mr. William Malthus, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jenins, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldredge.

\* Marked as absent.

\* No mark to the names of the Secondary Burgesses.



At this daye the said Magistrates made choise of theise inhabitants, viz<sup>t</sup>.

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|---------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Richard Jayes,   | 2. Edward Baker,      | } to be Secondarye<br>Burgesses. |
| 3. Willyam Turnour, | 4. Willyam Brackston, |                                  |
| 5. Willyam Stretche | . . .                 |                                  |

14<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*.

At this daye the Lawe-daye was holden for this Boroughe.

Nomina Juratorum.

Edward Hamblen .	.	} affirers.	
Richard Alright .	.		
John Backhouse	} jurati.	John Johnson	} jurati.
Abraham Watkyns		John Hatt	
John Myles		William Goodale	
Robert Watlington		Thomas Richardes	
Samuell Johnson		Richard Stevenson	
William Shadocke		Bartholmewe Lake	
Edward Knight			

usque ultimam diem Augusti proximi.

[p. 341.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

[No business recorded for this day.]

16<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John

\* Marked as absent.

Newman, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren\*, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobbe\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes\*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye lettres from the Lordes of the Counsell were openly read and for the aunsweringe of these lettres Mondaye morninge next is apointed for this Company to meet and to make choice of ij fitt men to attend the Lordes of the Counsell on Fridaye the xxiiijth daye of this Aprill.

[p. 342.] Mondaye, the 20th of Aprill, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, Willyam Turnour\*, Willyam Brackston\*, Willyam Stretche\*.

The legacie of 50*li*. geven by Mr. William Kendricke shalbe accepted and disposed aswell as may be.

Agreed that the house and landes at Burghfeild offered to be sold by Mr. Robert Saxbye shalbe purchased at 120*li*. if, &c.

Mr. Anthonye Brackstone and Mr. Richard Burren are apointed and shalbe aauthorised under the seale to attend the Lordes of the Counsell on Fridaye, the xxiiijth daye of this Aprill, concerninge the setlinge of Mr. John Kendricke's busynes.

Lettres to Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders to intreate their assistaunce in and about the premisses: iij*li*. shalbe delivered them towards their charges, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, to send a note of the poore workemen's complaints.

1<sup>o</sup> die Maii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Anne Selwood, spinster, servant to Mr. John Thomas, dwellinge in Rosemarie Lane, neere Tower Hill, complaineth that on Mondaye was senight she lost 6 quoiffes, 6 crosse-clothes and divers other peeces of linnen of hers, and divers shirtes and other linnen of her master's fourth of her master's house in the daye tyme, and she is perswaded that William Plommer did steale them, for he was then and there drinkinge in the house, &c., and is nowe here in Readinge faire. [Assizes, *in margin*.]

Th'examynacion of William Plommer.

Whoe saith he was then and there drinkinge and had some acquayntaunce with the Complainant ; but denyeth the takinge or steallinge of any the goodes, &c.

Memorandum, Anne Selwood, etc. cognovit se	} quod predicta
debere domino Regi xl <i>li</i> . et	
Johannes Selwood de Woodcott, etc. cognovit	
se, xl <i>li</i> .	} Anna prosec'
	} ad proximas
	} Assisas, etc.

Committed to Gaole.

[p. 343.] Wensdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*, and Sir Frauncis Knolles, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye the Lettres directed to the Justices of Peace of this Countye, concerninge Maulsters, were openly read to the Malsters of this Towne in the Chamber, to th'intent they should take notice of the contentes thereof.

viii<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Henry Iremonger complayned that his sonne Henry Iremonger was bound apprentice to George Marten, of Readinge, clothworker, and that this daye fortnight he went awaye from his Master, and

\* Marked as absent.

is this daye found drowned in the river of Thames, nere to Purley in Berk-shiere side, 3 or 4 myles from Reading.

Assizes. Memorandum, Georgius Marten	} quod predictus	
cognovit se debere domino Regi xl <i>li</i> .		
Willelmus Mathewe, clo-		
thier, et		
Wigmore Quicke, baker,	} manuceperuntse-	
	} paratim per se	
	} sub pena xx <i>li</i> .	
		Georgius compa-
		reat ad proximas
		Assisasad respon-
		dendum, etc.

Edward Stone, of Weston in Hartford-shiere, nere Baldocke, livinge by selling tobacco, was taken retayling tobacco in Reading a moneth or thereabouts, and lodgeing in . . .; denyed the having of any money but 1 groate, yet uppon searche he had in his pocket above 3*li*., gold and silver. Apointed and warned to be gone fourthwith.

William Grover, a butcher, warned to appeare at Quarter-daye, Fridaye come senight.

Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye the differences betwene George Allen, the shear-grinder and his apprentice, John Lucas, were heard and examined, and being heard by consent they agreed to part, one from the other, and to release eache other, and the apprentice to be bound apprentice to Peter Thorne, tanner.

[p. 344.] 15<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1625. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Frauncis Buckridge, th'elder, complayned and did take oath that he is afraid that Richard Swayne will beat, kill, or doe him some bodily harme, and therefore prayeth securitye to goe in peace. Conceditur.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam. Memo-	} quod ipse compareat	
randum quod Ricardus Swayne cog-		
novit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .		
Ricardus Markham et		
Ricardus Yeawen, taylour, manuceperunt		
pro ipso separatim sub pena <i>xxli</i> . pro		
ipso . . . . .		ad proximam Ses-
		sionem Pacis, ad re-
		spondendum, etc. et
		quod interim teneat
		pacem, etc. et pre-
		cipue versus Fran-
		ciscum B[uckridge].

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 22 Maii, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, *licenciatus*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, *absens*.

Mr. Willyam Malthus\*, Arther Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, *absens*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, *absens*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, *absens*, William Brackston, William Stretche.

Th'Assizes shalbe holden at Readinge the Mondaye senight next after the terme.

Memorandum, the Chartre to be shewen in court for the discharge of Sir John Blagrove about the deodand paid to the Towne, and to prevent the issues.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blagrove paid in the 50*li*. due at Ladye-daye last, for one yeare's rent of Southcott house and landes, to paye legacies accordinge to Mr. John Blagrove's will.

As to the vi*li*. due to the Company by *nomine pene*, for not paying the 50*li*. within 30 dayes, it shalbe taken in parte of the charges expended about the sute, and the rest at the end of the sute, and in the meane-tyme the order to be observed, whiche order is uppon the file of this yeare, written by Mr. Saunders.

Memorandum, for other busynes of this daye for the file.

Memorandum, Sir John Blagrove his sute.

[p. 345.] Tuesdaye, 26 Maii, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maior*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtis\*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard

\* Marked as absent.



Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders shewed to the Company the orders of the Lordes of the Counsell concerninge the new setlinge of Mr. John Kendricke's busynes in this Corporacion. And this Company as formerly did submitt themselves to all thinges that their Lordships should decree, &c.

2<sup>o</sup> die Junii, 1635.

By Mr. Mayour's direccion I delivered to the handes of Mr. Richard Burren the printed Will of Mr. John Kendricke for him to carrye to Mr. Saunders, as he said, and this was done in the Town Hall, in the presens of Mr. Izaack Graye and Richard Arrow-smith, he promisinge to restore the same Will or otherwise to charge himself or the Counsell therewith when it should be required.

<sup>9</sup> 10 Junii. And afterwarde I delivered the counterparte of Mr. Alexander Blaggrave's lease to Mr. Thomas Turnour to carrye with him to London. Brought agayne.

[p. 346.] 8<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Anne Applebye, spinster, complayneth that she is with childe, begotten by Robert Mumford, a taylour, on Christmas Even last in his father's house, in the night tyme, . . . she beinge fetcht thither by the said Robert Mumford, and sithence he hath had the use of her body, viz<sup>t</sup>. at Easter last in the same place, promising her mariage if she prove with childe.

Michaell Momford promised fourth-with to fetche his sonne, if he be in the cuntrye. Non attachiatur.

Wensdaye, 10 Junii, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., x[j]<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, *absens*.

William Wylder and William Smyth, supervisours, [and] John Parrett, one of the surveyours, warned to amend Caversham waye fourthwith.

<sup>9</sup> This paragraph is crossed through in the MS.

[xj° ?] Junii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye the lettres from Sir Edward Clerke by Mr. Burren were openly read and considered on, the direccions therein advised concerninge the keepinge of the wheelles goeing with the stocke, &c.

[p. 347.] 12° Junii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Jone Justis, spinster, complayneth that she is with childe begotten by John Grey, in Thomas Holliday's, but on whiche daye she remembreth not, but . . . in the daye tyme, in his mother's house, the next daye after they played at cardes together at the Goodwief Clarke's, and sithence that tyme he had the use of her bodye but once, about a moneth past, uppon a Sondaye in the afternoone, and he then offered and promised her mariage.

Memorandum, John Filpe	} promised he shall marrye her
Francis Buckridge	

Memorandum, quod predictus Johannes	} quod ipse compareat	
Grey, tanner, cognovit se debere do-		ad Sessionem Pacis
mino Regi xx <i>li</i> .		proximam post fes-
Franciscus Buckridge, manucep' pro		tum Sancti Michaelis
sen., tanner, et		ad respondendum ad
Ricardus Westwood	} ipso separatim	omnia que, etc.
	} sub pena x <i>li</i> .	

[John Grey's mark], Frauncis Buckridge, Richard Westwood.

17° Junii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell.

At this daye the Overseers for the poore of St. Giles' parishe the last yeare did appeare and brought in their accomptes more perfect then before ; in custodia Majoris.

At this daye alsoe the newe Overseers shewed their colleccion-booke for the weekly contribucion for the poore, but nothinge could be altered, &c.

\* Marked as absent.



Thursdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Robertus Palmer de Shinfeild, laborer,	} quod ipse Robertus com-
cognovit, etc. <i>xxli</i> .	
Edwardus Palmer de Shinfeild, hus-	
bandman, et	
Jacobus Hall de Readinge, grocer,	} Sessionem Pacis ad
manuc' <i>xli</i> , per se	
	} respondendum ad om-
	} nia que, etc.

Ad Sessionem Pacis vel super 19 [?] dies post monitionem, etc.  
ad comparendum coram, etc., et ad performandum . . . , etc.

[p. 348.] 24 Junii, 1635, Wensdaye.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*.

As touchinge th'interteynement of the Judges at the Assizes holden here the 29th of this June.

The Judges shalbe enterteyned at Mr. Thomas Turnour's house, he having allowaunce towards his charges as formerly. And towards their interteynement all allowances to be as was the last Assizes provided, &c.

1<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Memorandum, Willelmus Weldon de Bissam in comitatu Berkes, generosus, cognovit se debere domino Regi *xlii*, that if Margaret Rundall before the ixth of Januarye next recover her healthe and . . . and able to worke, that she returne to the House of Correccion to accomlishe her . . . . . punishment accordinge to lawe.

[Signed] William Weldon

1<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye Margarett Randall was found to be able to worke as before she did, and soe enjoyned to contynue untill the yere be expired accordinge to her first committion. Per preceptum Willelmi Jones, militis.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 349.] Mondaye, 6 Julii, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*, et Francisco Knollis, seniore, Milite.

It beinge enformed that Jone Justis of the parishe of St. Giles, spinster, beinge delivered of a bastard childe named Robert, examynacion was had, aswell of the said Jone as of divers weomen whoe were at the birth of the said childe, whoe should be the reputed father thereof, either John Grey or Robert Palmer.

Jane Clarke, Jone Westwood,	}	jurate.
Elizabeth Harbert, Anne Symons,		
Jone Jerome, Alice Justis,		
Anne Sargood		
Christofer Kenton's wief	}	absent.
Maij Smithe's wief		
Katherine Towne		

John Grey his confession appeareth in this booke 12<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1635.

Robert Palmer denyeth all the accusations laid against him concerning the childe. Vide le file.

But by the examinacions of the weomen and confession of the said Jone Justis, and consideringe of the circumstaunces and passages betwene her and the said Robert Palmer, it seemed to the Justices that the said Robert Palmer is the reputed father of the said bastard childe.

And by the said Justices it was ordered that the said Robert Palmer, the reputed father, shall hencefourth paye xiiij*d*. the weeke to the Overseers of the poore of St. Giles' parishe, towards the keepinge of the said bastard childe, or to the mother thereof, soe longe as she doth keepe the childe, and that the said mother shall either keepe the childe or paye viij*d*. a weeke towards the keeping of it, and be sent to the House of Correccion, as the lawe requireth. And that the said reputed father shall geve securitye to the parishe to discharge the parishe of the childe, untill the childe be provided for.

8<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. John Newman.

[No business recorded for this day.]

11<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1635. Mr. William Grove of Rustworth [?] saith that . . . Mumford did speeke to him and to his sister Grace, the wief of

John Cromell [?] of . . . . ., to doe his service . . . . . that . . . . . for her, and that he should shift for Rustworth [?].

[p. 350.] Mondaye, 13 Julii, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges\*, *licenc'*, Robert Dye\*, . . . . ., William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Woolldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

The undertakers required to pay in th' encrease due at Ladye-daye last. Vide librum illum.

The 1200*li*. was required of James Winche accordinge to his former promises and noe further daye to be geven.

William Blacknall promised to paye in his 300*li*. at Michaelmas next and he in the meane tyme to geve Roger Walker a counterbond to save him harmlesse, or the bond to be put in sute.

Memorandum, that a legall demaund be made of the rentes unpaid at the next rent-daye. And that the counterpartes of the leases be taken out of the chest to be viewed, and demaundes made by direcciouns of Councell.

Memorandum, that Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders be put in minde to talke with Sir Frauncis Knollis concerninge Pittell's house, the Gate house, and garden plott; and that they maye prepare themselves thereunto, to see the chartre, &c.

[p. 351.] Mondaye, 20 Julii, 1635, ac anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sir Frauncis Knollis, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, some alehouse keepers were called and dealt with-  
all as by the bills of the Wardes appeareth. And the rest uppon  
a newe warning.

Memorandum, the *iiij* *li*. to be paid towards the watchinge of the  
beacons shalbe levied of th'inhabitantes by the rule of the colleccion-  
bookes; fore-seeinge that the Magistrates paye not lesse than *viiij* *d*.  
a man, nor the Burgesses lesse then *vj* *d*. a peice.

27<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1634. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod Michael Mum-	} quod ipse compareat ad
ford, de etc., taylour, cognovit	
[se] debere domino Regi <i>xx</i> <i>li</i> .	
Thomas Baldwyn et	
Valentine Skeat, jun., manucep'	} proxiam Sessionem Pa-
separatim pro ipso sub pena <i>x</i> <i>li</i> .	
	cis ad respondendum ad
	omnia, etc. et quod in-
	terim se bene geret.
	Ad Sessionem Pacis.

[p. 352.] Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas  
Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Roger Knight\*, Mr. Christofer  
Turnour\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne,  
Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtis\*, Richard Burren\*, John  
Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter  
Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes,  
Edward Baker, William Turnour\*, William Brackston\*, William  
Stretche.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Tuesdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Frauncis Knowllis, Sir Edward  
Clerke, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert  
Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John  
Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brack-  
ston.

At this day consideracion was had of the warrant directed to Mr.  
*Maiour* by order of the Sessions for the providinge of *xij* able teames  
to be in Stowe Wood the *xij*th of this August to carry *xij* loades of

\* Marked as absent.



shiptimber from thence to Bircott for the use of his Majestie's Navye by the inhabitantes and occupiers of landes within the parishes of St. Lawrence, St. Giles and St. Marye's in Readinge.

And seinge that Whitley and Southcot beinge within the parishes and without the Boroughe have done that service for their partes, a certificat shalbe [sent] to the Sessions of the truth of the busynes.

[p. 353.] Tuesdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sir Frauncis Knollis, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye all the Victuallers within the Boroughe were warned to appeare and soe many of them as appeared and noe accusacions of disorder by the Constables laid against them, and sheweinge their licences, were dismissed and willed to keepe good order in their howses.

And as to those whiche the Constables and others complayned on, and those whiche keepe victuallinge without licence, it was ordered as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Nicholas Noble,	William Fellowes,	} haberent licencias.
William Kinge,	William Evered,	
Richard Underwood, <i>si</i> ,	Henry Byrd,	
Henry Heath, <i>si, etc.</i> ,	John Gateley, at	
request of neighbours,		
Wigmore Quicke,	William Wheately,	
John Attkins		

For disorder and unlicensed.

Henry Clere, punished	Thomas Pattison	xxs.
Thomas Spenser, supprest	Christofer Maihewe ;	vide le file.
John Poore, supprest, <i>nisi</i> .	Henry Molins, for disorder	xs.
Henry Rowse, fined	Richard Barrett, to be suppressed.	
Andrew Treherne	Richard Hawkes, at Black Swan,	
John Gatley	to be forbidden.	
Richard Wheler	Henry Dawson, forbidden.	
Jerome Pococke, jun.	Nicholas Lampier, punished.	

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 354.] Monday, the last daye of August, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Sir Frauncis Knollis, Knight, Sir Thomas Vachell, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Arthur Curtice\*, Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche\*.

As touchinge the assessinge and raisinge the 26*o*li. imposed upon this Boroughe of Readinge towards the providinge and furnishing of one Shippe of Warre, to be in readines at Portesmouth by the first of Marche next, at this daye it was questioned howe and by what meanes that 26*o*li. should be raised, and the better opinion was and soe agreed that it should be raised of th'inhabitanes and land-holders within the Boroughe, accordinge to the rate of the Churche-booke, and if one yere and quarter will not by that rate raise the money then to add soe many weekes more, as will raise the money, leavinge none of inhabitanes untaxed, and to meete agayne on Wensday morninge next, abatinge and raisinge as the *Maiour* and Magistrates shall thinke fitt.

3<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour* elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Newman.

Sessio seu curia Clerici Mercati hospicii domini Regis Anglie, etc. per Carolum Walker, generosum, deputatum Hugonis Maye, armigeri, virtute Literarum Patentium datarum 2<sup>o</sup> Maii, anno 2<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli.

#### Nomina Juratorum pro domino Rege.

Edward Hamblen, jurator primus.

Ricardus Alright	} jurati.	Abraham Watkyns	} jurati.
Johannes Backhouse		Johannes Myles	

\* Marked as absent.

Robert Watlington	} jurati.	Thomas Richardes	} jurati.
Samuell Johnson		Samuell Bushell	
Edwardus Knight		Bartlemewe Lake	
Joel Stevens		Willelmus Underwood	
William Curtis		Moises Willis	
Johannes Johnson		Johannes Bale	
Johannes Hatt		Ricardus Stevenson	

[p. 355.] Tuesdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xj<sup>o</sup>. Eleccion-daye.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Scenescallus ibidem, John Saunders, Esquire, Counsellarius.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esquire, William Maulthus \*, gent., Arthur Curtis, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche \*.

At this daye the said Maiour and Capitall Burgesses by direccions of their Chartre did nomynate and appoynt 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion to th'intent and purpose that one of these 3 by the said Maiour and residue of the said Burgesses shalbe elected Maiour for the next yeare, as by their Chartre is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. John Dewell, | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | [19], elected Maiour.
2. Mr. George Thorne.
3. Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

Whereas the differences betwixt William Winckles and John Kinge, feltmakers, concerninge Thomas Rumney, whose apprentice he should be, and with whiche of them he should dwell, for soe much as it appeareth uppon prooffe that the said Thomas Rumney had soe

\* Marked as absent.



formerly covenanted with the said William Winkles that he became the apprentice of the said William Winckles and that betwene . . . . . it is nowe ordered that the said Thomas Rumney accordinge to the said agreement shall remayn and be the apprentice of the said William Winckles. And that all contractes, agreamentes and indentures had and made betwene the said Thomas Rumney and the said John Kinge shalbe absolutely void and of none effect. And that the said John Kinge shall within 3 dayes next . . . . bringe in and deliver his indentures to William Willmer to th'end he shall make newe indentures to bynd Thomas Rumney apprentice to William Winckles.

Vide le file, pro leꝝ testes.

Mr. Henry Tubbe shall have 18*li*. per annum for keepinge the House of Correccion. There shalbe 12 paire of Cardes, 12 Wheelles, j paire of Stock Cardes, and j stocke-frame provided and put into the inventarie, and Henry Tubbe shall geve bond to keepe all the goodes in reparacions, and soe to leave them to the Maiour and Burgesses at the will and pleasure of the Maiour and Burgesses, or at the least serviceable.

Memorandum, to allowe the poore woman towards her chardges to carry her diseased childe for cure of the Evill, xs.

James Rowland, a shereman, workinge at John White's, beinge a stranger, was willed to provide and shewe a testimoniall within vj[?] dayes] or to be gone, at his perill.

[p. 356.] 16<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Thomas Turnour, 3 Messuages or tenementes.

30[?] Septembris, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*.

Th'Accomptes of the Fines and Amerciamentes of the Lawdayes and Clerke of the Markett of the Kinge's Majestie's household within the viewe [?], &c.

Received of Frauncis Thackham in parte of the amerciamentes of the Lawdayes . . . . .	}	xiiij <i>li</i> .
Received for amerciamentes for hogges . . . . .		
Received for amerciamentes of the Clerke of the Markette's amerciamentes . . . . .	}	xvj <i>li</i> .
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Received more for the rest of the amer- ciamentes . . . . }	01 <i>li.</i>	10 <i>s.</i>	2 <i>d.</i>
Whereof paid the Clerke of the Markett .		x <i>ls.</i>	
Item, paid his men . . . .		x <i>s.</i>	
Item, paid the Aletasters . . . .		xx <i>s.</i>	
Item, paid Thomas Barnes for lanthorne and candle-light . . . . }		v <i>s.</i>	
Item, paid the Jurye for their dynner .		xx <i>s.</i>	
Item, paid Bartholmewe Lake for his paynes . . . . .		xv <i>s.</i>	
Item, paid for hogges to the hogherdes .		xi <i>js.</i>	
Item, paid Francis Thackham for his collectinge after the rate of i <i>js.</i> the pound . . . . . }	ii <i>js.</i>		
Item, paid to William Wilmer for expences		xxv <i>s.</i>	v <i>jd.</i>
Paid, ut supra,	x <i>li.</i>	vi <i>js.</i>	v <i>jd.</i>

Rest 20*li.* 5*s.* for the Hall, whiche he paid to Mr. Mayour,  
untill, &c.

Item, allowed the Serjeant for expences .	xxv <i>s.</i>		
Item, more paid for boardes lost and amerciamentes forgiven . . . }		v <i>js.</i>	v <i>jd.</i>
Soe there is due to the Cofferer for the Lawdaye's amerciamentes, all thinges paid . . . . . }	xj <i>li.</i>		
And for the amerciamentes of the Clarke of the Markett, all thinges discharged }	ix <i>li.</i>	v <i>s.</i>	

[p. 357.] Quarter-daye, the xviiijth daye of September, 1635, an-  
noque regni regis Caroli, etc. [xj<sup>o</sup>].

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour* elect, Mr.  
Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Roger Knight, *egrotus*,  
Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. George Thorne, Mr.  
Anthony Brackstone.

## Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders \*, Esq., William Maulthus \*, gent., Arthur Curtice, Richard Burren \*, John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackstone, William Stretche.

At this daye the reneweing or confirmation of the Chartre was refer'd to their Counsell to be advised on at their next meeting, &c.

At this daye Symon Dye's petition to have a newe lease of his house was put of till their next meetinge, and in the meane tyme to be considered on by the Capitalls, &c.

Lease. At this daye a lease of old Bramley's house was granted to Christofer Merce [?] for 3 lives, soe as he bestowe *xxli.* or more in newe building the house within 4 yeares next, at 20s. rent, &c.

Arthar Liford shalbe resolved of his tolle busynes when the Counsell is here to advise thereon.

At this daye it was agreed John Mapleton shall pay 12*d.* per annum for his encrochment of 22 foote in length and 2 foote in breadth.

Roger Ireland, a foreyner, payeing 40s. fine, shalbe permitted to dwell in Towne, to live and doeing as he doth to live, but not to use any other callinge within the Boroughe. Et haberet licenciam ad victuale ibidem. [40s. sol', *in margin.*]

John Tucker, a forreyner taylour, was denyed his fredom.

Mr. Richard Burren and Mr. George Wooldridge were named by Mr. Maiour to be Collectours of the Shippe-money.

[p. 358.] Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye Mr. Arthur Curtis was chosen and did take the oath of a Capitall Burgesse.

At this daye it was agreed and by the Magistrates desir'd that the Chartre should be renued with suche addicions, &c., as was

\* Marked as absent.

agreed and desired when Mr. William Kendricke was Maiour, and with suche other thinges to be inserted therein as Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders shall advise for the good of the Corporacion.

Richard Breddes and Robert Westmerland are apointed to viewe th'incrochementes and to retorne their doeinges in writinge.

Edward Hamblen } jurant that Richard Colling as in their  
Robert Creed } hearing did prophanely sweare at the  
least xx oathes, but Robert Creed cannot say truly howe many oathes.

Edward . . . . jurat he did heare him sweare, but howe many [oaths] he knoweth not.

Solvit. xs., delivered Humfrido Evans.

30 Septembris.

John Wifold, husbandman, saith he came from Stratefeild-sea, and dwelt there 6 or 7 yeares, and hath lived here a yeare or two . . . . and nowe is married to Agnes, and dwelleth at Wickyns Wharffe, a stranger; denyeth the keping alehouse. Required to finde sureties.

At this daye the mare, taken for a straye, was apointed to be appraised by the Constables and left in the keepinge of Robert Creed.

William Lithinge and John Harwitt promised to paye 40s. a peice, if the said John Wifold and his wief be not gone and departed from the Towne before Candlemas next, to dwell.

William Lithing X, John Harwitt.

[p. 359.] 29<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*, Sir Edward Clerke, Justices.

Anne Applebye, spinster, being with childe, said Robert Mumford is the father, for he had the use of her bodye divers tymes in his father's house, &c.

Elizabeth Walker  
Jane Gould  
Jone Applebye  
Elizabeth Belgrove  
Jone Spier  
Jone Whitchurche

} jurate. They were all present at the birth of the childe, and in her extremitye said there was noe man had knowledge of her bodye but the said Robert Mumford.

For-asmoche as by examinacion of the witnesses uppon their oathes and other circumstances the said Justices are perswaded that Robert Mumford, sonne of Michael Mumford, is the reputed father of the said bastard childe; and seeinge that the said Michael Mumford did cause and advise his sonne to absent himself from the Justice[s], &c., it is ordered that Robert Mumford, the reputed father, and the said Michael Mumford shall henceforward paye ten pence the weeke to the Churchwardens and Overseers of the poore of the parishe of St. Giles in Readinge, towards the keepinge of the said bastard childe untill suche tyme as cause shall appeare justlye to alter this order.

And that the said Anne Applebye, the mother, shall keepe and nurse the childe, or ells paye *xd.* a weeke towards the nursinge thereof, and remayne in the House of Correccion all suche tyme as the lawe requireth.

And that the said Michael Mumford shall fourthwith geve securitye for the performaunce of this order to the good likinge of the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Poore of the said parishe, or appeare at the next Sessions to aunswere to all suche thinges as shalbe there objected against him.

Memorandum, the securitie shalbe himself and his sonne Robert Momford, the reputed father, to be bound in *xx*li*.* to paye the *xd.* a weeke accordinge to this order.

[p. 360.] Fridaye, the 2<sup>d</sup> of October, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. *xj*°.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Dewell\*, *Maiour* elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

Robert Dye, Richard Jeyes, William Brackston.

At this daye the quietus for the last yeare was taken out of the chest and delivered to Mr. Maiour.

At this daye Robert Westmerlande's lease and John Parr's leases were sealed.

*ij*° Octobris, 1635. Coram Roberto Bent, generoso, *Majore*.

Walter Allen	}	all of them take oath that Alice Guilbert said she would kill her, if she were hangd at the next boughe.
Walter Perryn		
William Clere		

\* Marked as absent.

Boroughe of Readinge, scilicet, xx<sup>o</sup> nono die Septembris,  
1635.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Christofer Turnour.

Whereas difference did arise betwene William Winkles and Thomas Romney, whome the said William alleadged to be his apprentice, and nevertheles John Kinge, another feltmaker, pretended the said Romney was his apprentice, whiche after deliberate hearinge what could be said on either parte, for-as-muche as it playnly appeared unto us, uppon prooffe that the said Romney was the apprentice of the said William Winkles, We therefore, persons authorised accordinge to the statute in that case provided, doe by this our writinge under our handes and seales pronounce that the said Thomas Romney is th'apprentice of the said William Winkles with whom he first covenanted and contracted to serve as an apprentice; and findinge that all contractes, agreementes and indentures had and made betwene the said Thomas Romney and the said John Kinge were in tyme after the said contract with the said Winckles, Wee therefore declare them void and of none effect; and we order that the said John Kinge shall within 3 dayes next ensueinge bringe in and deliver upp to be cancelled the said indentures (if he hath any suche); And we further pronounce and declare that we have and doe hereby discharge the said Thomas Romney of his apprenticeship with the said John Kinge and from beinge his apprentice; All whiche soe farr as in us lyeth we pronounce and declare to be our order, soe farr bindinge to all parties as to be a finall end betwene the said William Winckles and the said Thomas Romney, and betwene the said John Kinge and the said Romney, and betwene the said Winckles and Kinge.

This is a true copie of the order under their handes and scales.

[p. 361.] Mondaye, the 5th of October, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Robert Bent, *Maiour*. Mr. John Dewell, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

Mr. William Malthus\*, Mr. John Saunders\*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye and tyme Mr. John Dewell, the newe elected Maiour, accordinge to direccions of the Chartre, in the presens of his predecessour Maiour and other the Burgesses did take the oath,

1. Oath of Supremacye,
2. Oath of Maiour and Justis of Peace,
3. Oath of the Clerke of the Markett.

And at this daye and tyme the said Maiour by consent of his Brethren did name and apoynt Cofferers for the yeare to come, vizt.

John Jeninges	}	Cofferers.
Robert Dye		
Edward Hamblen	}	Constables.
Humfrey Milles		
Julyan Kinge	}	gardiani, in High [ward].
Thomas Dewell		
Richard Hunt	}	gardiani, in London gar de.
Wigmore Quicke		
Robert James	}	gardiani, in Minster garde.
John Bryan		
Edward Stanton	}	gardiani, in Old ward.
Thomas Stretton <sup>1</sup>		
John Shefford	}	gardiani, in Newe garde.
John Humfrey		

Judith Palmer, married to Thomas Porchmouth, shall have the 40s., &c.

Memorandum, at this daye and tyme the said late Maiour made his accomptes openlye in the Towne Hall of all the stockes of money, yearly rentes and revenues geven to charitable uses in this Corporacion, whiche came and were in his charge in the tyme of his Maioraltie, as in and by the bill of particulers remayninge uppon the file appeareth.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>1</sup> postea Purnell, inserted in the MS.



5*li.* a peice to Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders for their attendinge the Lordes of the Counsell about Mr. Kendricke's busynes, fourth of the increase money.

40*s.* to Mr. Saunders for his paines to Newberye out of the colleccion by Mr. Burren and Mr. Wooldridge.

The ij Puisne Sergeantes by Wensdaye come senight to geve newe securitye.

The Chartre shalbe renewed or confirmed fourthwith, accordinge to the former notes in paper.

The Cofferer to lend x*li.* and every Burgesse 40*s.* a peice.

[p. 362.] Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour.* Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Scenescall, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye the Lawdaye was holden.

Nomina Juratorum.

Edward Baker		Walter Filmer	
Willelmus Turnour,		Johannes Wilder	
primus		Willelmus Smith	
Willelmus Brackston		Obadia Osgood	
Willelmus Stretche		Richard Seelye	
Edward Johnson	} jurati.	Richard Levins	} jurati.
David Elkes		Mathewe Turnour	
Richard George		Robert Remnant	
Willelmus Bosley		Johannes Harrison	
Johannes Chandler		Lawrence Creed	
Willelmus Goodale		Bartholmewe Lake	
William Turnour			
William Brackston	} Affirers, jurati.		
William Stretche			
Edward Johnson			

At or before Lady-daye to deliver their verdict.

David Elkes } late Constables.  
Richard George }

All <sup>2</sup> the Wardens appeared.

London Ward did not appeare.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>2</sup> viij altered to All in the MS.

William Horne	}	sworne Overseers and Searchers for the true makinge of woollen broad clothes, &c. Bound in 40 <i>li.</i> a man.
Joseph East		
Francis Buckridge		
William Sedburye .	.	} Seallers of Lether.
Henry Osborne .	.	
Hughe Grantham .	.	
William Wright .	.	} Searchers for Fleshe.
Roger Symons .	.	
Richard Walker .	.	
John . . . . .	.	} Fishtasters, jurati.
William Price .	.	
William Griffin .	.	
Thomas Barnes .	.	} Aletasters.
Christofer Grey .	.	
William Price .	.	
	.	} Haywardes.
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[p. 363.] 9<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso,  
*Majore.*

John Millsoppe, junior, complayneth that on Friday last he was possessed of ij pigges of the value of xvjs., as of his owne goodes. And the next daye beinge Markett one Katherine Applebye of Beenham, spinster, had one of his pigges in the Markett to sell, and had sould it, had she not byn prevented, and that she had left the other of the pigges in the house of one [*blank*], in Readinge.

The confession of Katherine Applebye.

Saith the ij pigges were delivered to her by a shoemaker, whose name she knoweth not, in Pangborne Lane, and one Wearinge was presente at the delivery, and she was willed to drive them to one Underwoode's, whoc was to buy them, as she said. And one Henry Barnes at the . . . . . was one of the parties that delivered them to her; willed her to sell them.

She lodged at John Barnes; Mistris Colnett and her servant came from Beneham with her and Mistris Colnett went to the Seven Bridges to lodge.

Committed to the House of Correccion to be sett to worke untill further order be taken for her, &c.

John Millsoppe promised to have the pigges fourthcominge, or the value above mencioned.

12<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635.

Then by direccions I delivered to Mr. Walter Knight ij obligations of ij thousand poundes a peice to be prosecuted at this terme against James Winche by the one bond, and against Mr. Newman by the other, concerninge parte of Mr. John Kendricke's common stocke of 1200*li*.  
per W. W[ilmer].

Mr. Maiour, Mr. Robert Bent.

At the same tyme Mr. Bent delivered to Mr. Walter Knight a certificate of the execution of his office duringe the tyme of his Maioraltie ended the 5th of this October, entreatinge him to deliver it [to] Mr. Justis Jones at his first beinge there.

[p. 364.] 14<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635, annoque regni Caroli Anglie, etc., undecimo.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne\*, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

The undertakers of the Common Stocke to bringe in the encrease money the next Mondaye.

At this daye it was agreed that Andrewe Wright and Ferdinando Clarke[?] shall assist Richard Burren and George Wooldridge in the collectinge of the Shipp-money to be paid in this parishe.

Peter Thorne [and] James Arnold in St. Giles' parishe.

Guilbert Brackston [and] John Harrison in St. Marye's.

21<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Thomas Morris dwellinge betwene Scoone and the Devizes in Wiltes, sonne of Thomas Morrys, late of Trobridge, a felt-maker or habb[erdasher] of hattes.

Saith he came from London on Sondaye morning last, and on Sondaye night he came to Maydenhead in the company of [*blank*], and they lodged at Maydenhead in an alehouse there, at the West end of the Towne, the signe or name he [knoweth not?], and they paid share and share like all their expences.

\* Marked as absent.

The examinacion of Richard Markes, whoe dwelleth noe-where.

Saith he came to this Towne to seeke worke in the trade of a tinker, he could get none in London. He came to Readinge on Monday last in the company of a younge youth, his name he knoweth not, but was in the taverne with that yonge man, and there had 3 or 4 quartes of wine, and put in his pocket ij small bowles [?] in the sight and presens of the company, whoe suffered him not to carrye them awaye. Committed to the House of Correccion.

[p. 365.] Wensdaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Richard Burren \*, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, William Stretche.

At this daye Mr. Robert Bent brought in the quietus for the yeare he was *Maiour*, whiche was put in chest with that quietus for the yeare Mr. Robert Maulthus was *Maiour*.

Whereas James Winche hath paid in parte of payment  
of 1200*li*. . . . . 150*li*.  
nowe if he paye on Mondaye next . . . . . 050*li*.  
and within one moneth next . . . . . 100*li*.  
and shall geve securitye to the goode likinge of this  
Company for payment of 200*li*. betwixt this and Lady } 200*li*.  
daye next, he shalbe favoured in the busynes soe farr }  
fourth as by our Counsell shalbe advised, beinge noe prejudice  
to the *Maiour*.

Mr. Arthur Curtis offered himselfe 50*li*. And James Winche came to Mr. *Maiour* and myself and said that his sister-in-law, Mistris Judith Winche, William Gandye and Mr. Richard Smith would stand for 150*li*.

But noe lettre or staye of proceedinges untill the 50*li*. and 100*li*. be paid and the securitye had for payment of the 200*li*., prout, etc.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 366.] Mondaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes\*, Edward Baker\*. William Turnour, William Brackston\*, William Stretche.

Richard Barnes saith he dwelleth in Borrman's Rentes in the Churche Lane and hath byn in this Towne almost<sup>3</sup> iij yeares or thereabouts, yet promised before Mr. Maiour, in Mr. Bent's yeare, to be gone before Michaellmas last, and it seemeth he did goe awaye and is come agayne.

As touchinge the allowaunce of the lightes apoynted by Mr. Kendricke's will to St. Mary Churche refer'd to the Will to be then aunswered.

Richard Chenyll of Reading, tapster, being a stranger, is required to geve securitye to discharge the Towne of his wief and children.

Richard Chenyll, Christofer Rose, of Great Morland, et Paulum Chenyll, de Wortinge, in comitatu Southampt., yeoman, teneri . . . Majori et Burgensibus in 40*li*.

Mary Brewer married to Walter Emmerton, 40s. Yea *iiiiiiiiiiii*  
*iiiiii* [15], Noe 1.

Memorandum, John Dorrell, a journeyman, late in worke with William White, is apoynted to fetcche a certificate within [*blank*] dayes at his perill.

Memorandum, to call for *v*li**. to Nicholas Westwood, bound for aprentice to William Potinger.

[p. 367.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>3</sup> iij, *crossed through in the MS.*

Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge \*, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye it was agreed and ordered that every Capitall Burges, whiche hereafter shall come to the Lecture (without his gowne), shall forfeit and paye for every tyme xij*d*.

And that every Capitall Burgess (beinge warned) shall come to the Hall, not havinge on his gowne as hath byn accustomed in that place, shall for every tyme forfeit and paye iijs. iiij*d*.

As touchinge the levyeing of the Money unpaid for the Shippe-service within this Boroughe, it was thought fitt that warrant shalbe made to Frauncis Thackham and the other Serjeantes to take distresses in every place where payment is denyed, and they to have the assistaunce of the Constables and officers, prout, etc.

At this daye the renueinge of the Chartre was agayne in question and by all desired to have it either confirmed or enlarged with some alteracions, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To have xij Capitall Burgesses and xij or more Secondarie Burgesses.

The Maiour to be Justice of Peace and quorum for his tyme.

And the next precedent Maiour to be Justis of Peace the next yeare and not the seigniour Magistrate.

To be enabled to hold Quarter Sessions yearly within the Boroughe.

The Court to hold plea but to x*li*.

To have licence to purchase landes in mortmaine to the value of 500*li*. per annum.

A Court or power in the Maiour and any 3 of his Brethren to heare and end all causes not exceedinge 5*s*. or 3*s*. 4*d*. (if it maye be possibly gotten.)

And power alsoe in the Maiour and his Brethren to order the landlordes of poore people when they growe sicke and a burthen to the parishe to allowe parte of their rentes to relcive their poore tenants duringe their sicknes, at the discretion of the Maiour and his Brethren, for the landlordes doc convert [?] good houses and build

\* Marked as absent.

onely to encrease their rentes and take in none hable to releive the poore.

A copie of the Chartre verbatim to be [made].

Agreed the charges to be laid out about the proceedinges in the Chartre shalbe disbursed as it was formerly agreed, viz<sup>t</sup>. the Cofferer to lend *xli*. and every Burgesse *xls*.

[p. 368.] Wensdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Jone Tossell, spinster, complayneth that William Stepto hath begotten her with childe, for he hath had the use of her bodye divers tymes, and as she remembreth the first tyme was betwixt Easter and Whitsontide last, and divers tymes sithence.

William Lowgrove, weaver	} cognoverunt separatim sub
Walter Sherfeild, tayler	

pena *xxli*., that the childe she goeth withall shalbe noe burthen to the Towne duringe *xij* yeares next.

Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, *absens*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye it was thought fitt that some order be taken for the relief of poore Hayes, late bitten with dogges.

An order against the keepinge of mastive dogges in the streetes or shoppes.

An order that ij good men in every parishe shall looke to the straungers cominge into their parishe.

Richard Breddes to be aunswered the next quarter-daye.

16<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Hughe Cotterill of Arberfeild, servant to Mr. William Standen, enformeth that on Fridaye night last there was stollen from his Master, of and from the trees nere the place, ij turkey cockes, and that William Collett of Readinge is suspected to be the man, or one of them that did steale them. Hughe Cotterill denyed and will not be bound to prosecute.

\* Marked as absent.



[Ad] Sessiones proximas. Humfrye Rymes of Shinfeild, beinge in like manner suspected and examined before Sir Richard Harrison,\* and by him sent to the House of Correccion, saith that he and the said William Collett did steale two turkyes from Mr. Standen.

The examinacion of William Collett.

Whoe denyeth acquayntaunce with the said Rymes, and denyeth the fact and all the questions of the circumstances thereof. Committed to the House of Correccion untill the next Sessions.

Ad Assisas. Memorandum, 19<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1635, coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Ricardus Thorne, weaver, cognovit se	} quod ipse Ricardus	
debere domino Regi xlii. . . . .		compareat ad proxi-
Henricus Alright, manuceperunt sepa-		mas Assisas ad re-
yeoman, et } ratim pro predicto		spondendum ad om-
Johannes Millsoppe, } Ricardo Thorne sub	nia que, etc. pro aut	
junior } pena xlii. . . . .	concernens mortem	
	Willelmi Dore.	

[p. 369.] 4<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, Cuthbert Hall de Reading,	} quod compareat ad	
yeoman, cognovit se debere domino		proximas Assisas ad
Regi 40 <i>li</i> . . . . .		respondendum ad
Johannes Atkyns, de etc. et		omnia que, etc. pro et
Johannes Watlington manuceperunt pro	concernens Edward	
ipso separatim sub pena xlii. . . . .	Hall, shoemaker.	
Cuthber[t] Hall, signum $\propto$ dicti Johannis Atkyns,		
John Watlington.		

Fridaye, xj<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye the Hall accomptes for the yeare Mr. Robert Bent was Maiour, ended at Michaellmas last, were made and geven upp,

\* Marked as absent.

in the presens of the said Mayour and Magistrates by John Jeninges, senior, Cofferer, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Inprimis, the said Accomptant was charged with all the certen rentes due and delivered to him by the rent-rolle to be collected and accompted for at th'end of the yeare, whiche by the particulers have amounted to the *li. s. d.*  
 some of . . . . . 245 19 3

Item, charged with olde quitrentes . . . . . 000 13 0

Item, with compounded encrochmentes . . . . . 000 10 10

Item, with divers uncerten receiptes in that yeare growen due, viz<sup>t</sup>. the surplus at the last accomptes, fines for leases, herriottes, fines for freedomes, and other casuall receiptes, as the particulers doe manifest . . . . . 051 02 5

Summa totalis 298 05 6

Whereof th'Accomptant was allowed for ordinarye paymentes . . . . . 155 18 8

Item, for extraordinarye paymentes of whiche noe particuler was denied . . . . . 167 16 8

Item, for arrerages of rentes returned debt to the Hall, to be accompted the next year . . . . . 008 17 4

Summa totalis 332 11 8

By whiche accomptes it playnly appeareth the Hall is agayne growne in debt the some of . . . . . 034 06 2

Towardses the payment whereof there is charged in debtes and arrerages of rentes as the new rent-rolle sheweth the some of . . . . . 25 3 8  
 but very doubtfull to be paid.

[p. 370.] Tuesdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

Robert Terroll, Thomas Smooth, Richard Hollowaye, John Webbe, William White, Mr. Burren, for Christofer Kenton.

[p. 372.] Mondaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esquire.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye divers thinges concerning the orders formerly conceived about the handlinge of the comon stocke were in question and agreed as in that booke appeareth.

At this daye it was fully agreed that Christofer Grey shall henceforwardes walke with a bell in the night tyme, viz<sup>t</sup>. from the howe of xj untill iij<sup>or</sup> of the clocke in the morninge every night, as muche as lyeth in him, to prevent the daunger arisinge by fier and other hurtes, &c., throughe the wholle Towne.

And by daye shall everye daye attend and doe the office of a Marshall within the Boroughe, viz<sup>t</sup>. to apprehend and take all vagrauntes, beggers, idle and loiteringe people, aswell men as weomen, boyes and wenches, as chare-huswives livinge out of service, &c., and to bringe them before the Maiour for the tyme beinge, to be dealt withall as to him shalbe thought fitt and requisite.

And for the doeing of those services, it is agreed the said Christofer Grey shall have paid him every quarter by the handes of [*blank*].

And this night service shall be performed to this effect and in this manner, to hold, viz<sup>t</sup>. from hencefourth untill Ascention-daye, for then the statute watche beginneth untill Michaellmas-daye, and from thence untill Ascention-day.

\* Marked as absent.

Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour\*, William Brackston\*, William Stretche.

At this daye it was agayne agreed and ordered, that two of the substanciall inhabitantes in every parishe shalbe named to oversee and searche out the strangers lately come into their parishe and monethly, or oftener, to present their names and their receivours.

In St. Marye parishe, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker	} for this yeare a- pointed at this tyme.
In St. Lawrence parishe, Peter Burningham, William	
Stretche . . . . .	
In St. Giles' parishe, Richard Horsingdon, Peter Thorne	

The Widowe Stevens' request to have the Woolhall rent abated is refer'd to be better considered.

William Stanton's request to have the rent of his mother's house next the Gaole abated, is refer'd to further consideracion and to be viewed by Mr. Mayour, his Brethren and the Cofferers.

Richard Coxe his request to have a newe lease is refer'd to be answer'd untill the house and ground at Burfeild shalbe viewed and consideracion taken thereof by the Company.

Richard Breddes' request about his lease formerly granted him of the Sawpittes and ground was refer'd to further consideracion, and that afternoone to be viewed.

At this daye \*it was thought fitt to have a belman or watchman in this Towne to walke the Streetes in the nightes from Michaellmas till Ascention-daye. But howe he should have wages or allowaunce for his paynes was refer'd to the Company, every man to consider of it and to declare his opinion therein at the next meeting.

At this daye it was agreed that the bridge at Portman Brooke shalbe newe builded with bricke & rayled substancially fourthwith.

The better to prevent future danger and hurt arisinge by meanes of mastiffe dogges, bitches and suche like dogges, it was thought fitt an order with a penaltie of payment vjs. viij<sup>d</sup>. [?] should be made, refer'd to further consid[eracion].

Vide le file for aunsweres to petitions of Francis Plommer [?].

Sutours for the 50*li*. for 7 yeares.

George Thorne, John Harrison, John Cule, Richard Alright, Walter Fellowe, junior, . . . . Fellowe, John Baker, William Mathewe,

\* Marked as absent.

*mi'a 12d.*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldredge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnor, William Brackston, William Stretche \*, *mi'a 12d.*

Memorandum, John Webb was this daye promised to have one 25*li.* the next that cometh in (he behavinge himself well in the meane tyme) towards the poore workinge people, &c.

James Winche to geve securitee for all the rest by Candlemas next, or the sute to be prosecuted with all effect.

William Blacknall to paye in the 150*li.* or to geve newe securitie therefore by Candlemas next.

A meetinge shalbe uppon Tuesdaye come sevenight, about the renewinge of the Chartre.

A lease of the Woolhall at this daye was graunted to Margaret Stevens, widowe, for xxj yeares at xij*li.* rent per annum ; and keepinge reparacions in suche manner as she shall find it, beinge furst viewed by the Cofferers and presented.

[p. 374.] Saturday, 2<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1635. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

It was complayned on that a silver bole worth 40 or 50*s.* about Whitsontide last past, of the goodes of Mr. Payne Cuntrell, was lost or stollen from and out of the house called the Beare, in Readinge.

And it is suspected that John Robbyns or Amye his wief did steale and carry awaye the bole.

The severall examinacions of John Robbyns and Amye his wief.

Whoe sayen that he dwelleth at Tinhead in the parishe of Edington, in the countye of Wiltes, and there he liveth by his occupacion of a carpenter. And saith alsoe that at Whitsontide last he and his wief were at Readinge, and oftentimes in the house called the Beare with Phillipp Pearce his wive's father. But denyeth the steallinge, taking or carryeing awaye of the silver bole in question.

Assizes proxime. Memorandum, quod pre-	} quod ipse compareat	
dictus Johannes Robbyns cognovit se		ad proximas As-
debere domino Regi xl <i>li.</i> . . . . .		sizas tenendas, etc.
Philippus Pearce, de, etc. et		ad respondendum
Roger Ireland, de, etc. manuceperunt separ-		ad omnia que,
ratim pro predicto Johanne Robbyns	etc.	
sub pena xx <i>li.</i> per se . . . . .		

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum etiam, quod predictus Johannes Robbyns cognovit se debere	} quod predicta Amye compareat ad proximas Assizas tenendas, etc. ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
xl <i>li</i> . . . . .	
Phillippus Pearce, etc. et Roger Ireland, etc. manuceperunt separatim sub pena xx <i>li</i> . per se . . . . .	

Memorandum, quod Paine Cantrell, generosus, cognovit se debere xl*li*. ad prosequendum versus eos.

Memorandum, quod Nicholaus Carpenter, generosus, cognovit se xl*li*. ad prosequendum versus eos.

Finit' ad Assisas.

[p. 375.] Tuesdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Thomas Thackham \*, Peter Burningham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

At this daye the payment of 7*li*. 16*s*. charged uppon this Corporation by order at the Quarter Sessions, for carriage of xij loades of tymber from Stowe Wood and Shotover to Bircott, in comitatu Oxon., for the use of his Majestie's Navye, was agreed to be answered at the Counsell-board (if called thereunto, &c.) ; unlesse the two farmes within the Boroughe will paye it or the greatest parte of it.

The Chartre shalbe pleaded to defend the repayment of the deodand had of Sir John Blagrove, &c.

The newe undertakers shalbe led to performe the former orders whiche henceforwardes are to be performed.

And to proceed in the reneweing of the Chartre it is nowe agreed that a cōpye of the Chartre shalbe written and examined fourthwith.

\* Marked as absent.

Tuesdaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Januarye, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Frauncis Knolles, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye and tyme Sir Frauncis Knollis had the examinacion of Charles Clarke, an apprentice to his brother Ferdinando Clarke, of Readinge, mercer, concerninge the openinge and divulginge of a libell in writinge, sealed with ij seales, directed to Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*, full of base and scandalous wordes, tendenge to the defamacion of the said *Maiour*.

The said Charles Clarke saith he found that lettre in Mr. Henry Salmon's taverne on Tuesdaye last in the eveninge. And saith alsoe that he opened that lettre in his Master's shoppe, and the next daye Joell Stevens havinge busynes at his Master's shoppe he made him acquainted with it, whoe read it, and he beinge readinge it, one Henry Gooddyn, apprentice to Mr. Salmon, came through the shoppe, to whome this Examine made it known and he, desirous to read it, carryed it awaye with him, and would not redeliver it to this Examine, but kept it till Fridaye followeing. Other questions were demanded of him, &c.

Memorandum, the punishment of theise two boyes was refer'd till another tyme.

William Gooddyn, apprentice to Henry Salmon, vintener, saith true it is that on Wensdaye last in the forenoone he, beinge in his Master's busynes, made his waye throughe Mr. Clarke's shoppe, and as he was goeing there Charles Clarke tould him howe he had taken upp a lettre in their taverne whiche he would shewe him, and this Examine beinge in hast took the lettre and carryed it awaye with him, and kept it till Sundaye followeing, and in the meane tyme acquaynted divers freindes with it, making them . . . . .

[p. 376.] Wensdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635, et xj<sup>o</sup> anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

\* Marked as absent.



Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, William Stretche.

The Hospitall busynes in question is nowe refer'd till Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders come home and have tyme at the Hall.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Mayour, the two Cofferers and Richard Jayes shall, soe soone as convenyently they maye, viewe the house and land, woodes and trees at Burghfeild. And to make sale of soe muche of the wooddes and trees as may be spared to paye the debt oweinge for and concerninge the purchase of the said house and land.

At this daye James Winche said his brother Symon Winche at or before this daye senight will come and be bound for payment of one hundred poundes for parte of that stocke in his handes, oweinge to the said Mayour and Burgesses, &c.

And that he the said James Winche, at or before this daye senight, will bringe and deliver into the handes of the said Maiour and Burgesses 200 poundes' wourth of cloth, well wourth the money, to secure the payment of 200*li.* more for parte of the stocke in his handes, due and oweinge to the said Maiour and Burgesses.

And did then intreat the said Maiour and Burgesses to accept and take a hundred poundes' wourth of the goodes in his handes for satisfaccioun of 100*li.* more in parte of the stocke he oweth to them; to whiche they agreed and did accept thereof by their owne viewe, and is at their will to dispose thereof and to sell at their pleasure.

8<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635.

Walter Pewsey, late of London, clothworker, beinge 3 weekes past suspected to have stollen a peice of plate called a beker, because he had a peice of the toppe and a peice of the bottom in his kepinge defaced[?], offered it to sell, and thereupon was taken in question and sent to Ward, and seeinge noe other accusacion nor prosecuter can be had, during the 3 weekes past, was licensed to gett sureties. The peices of broken plate are not worth above 5*s.* left in Mr. Mayour's custodie.

<sup>b</sup> Marke Tailor, cittezen and haberdasher of London, and Antony Houbelon, marchant stranger of the same Cittie, dwelling in

\* Marked as absent.    <sup>b</sup> This paragraph is on a strip of paper pinned to p. 376.

St. Sith's Lane, are content to stand bound for William Tailor of Reading, clothier, for certeyne loane monys.

[p. 377.] 8<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635, et x<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

At this daye Mr. John Dewell, Mayour and Clarke of the Markett within the Boroughe, by and with the assistance of vj of the Jurours for the Lawe-daye, did size and seale divers bushells, peckes, gallons, ells, yarges and other measures in the Towne Hall and tryed and examined all of them with the Kinge's standerdes, &c., in Reading.

Edward Baker, Willyam Turnour, Willyam Brackston.

Willyam Stretche, John Wylder, William Beesley.

Richard Levins, Robert Remnant.

x<sup>o</sup> die Februarii, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*, and Sir Frauncis Knolles.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

At this daye the warrantes of warning the Alehouskeepers to appeare were returned and brought in by Constable Mylles, and for those whiche appeared order was taken that some should be allowed and newe bound, and others supprest.

And those whiche made default to be agayne warned against this daye senight.

[p. 378.] Tuesdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

At this daye consideracion was had for the intertaynment of the Judges at the Assizes to be here holden the 25th of this Februarii.

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's, as heretofore, (he having satisfaccion) prout, etc.

The Clarkes of th'Assizes at Mr. Bateman's and Mr. Chamberlayne's.

\* Marked as absent.

Other private lodgeinge at Richard Stampe's, Widowe Wickyns',  
John Nashe's, Mr. Arther Curtis', Mr. Richard Burren's.

The Present :

3 Barrells of beere.

3 Haulf gallons of sacke.

2 Gallons of clarett.

1 Mutton.

1 Veale.

xs. a peice duobus Scenescallis.

The Judges' horses at the house of [*blank*].

The Clarkes' of th'Assizes horses at Henry Byrde's.

The Inholders promised to present 2 quarters [of] oates.

Richard Markham

Willyam Bagley

Edward Andrewes

} Collectours.

Mondaye, the xxij<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635.

At this daye the price of Beere and Ale was assessed by Mr.  
John Dewell, Mayour and Clarke of the Markett, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Double Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	viijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The firkin	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The pipkin	.	.	.	.	.	xij <sup>d</sup> .
The dussen of Ale	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.

Single Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The virkyn	.	.	.	.	.	xij <sup>d</sup> .
The pipkyn	.	.	.	.	.	vj <sup>d</sup> .

[p. 379.] Wensdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1635.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Francis Knollis, Knight, John  
Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour,  
Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr.  
Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeys, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackstone, William Stretche.

At this daye Nathaniell Blacknall brought in his licence for Alehouse-keepinge and intreated to be discharged, for he was resolved to keepe alehouse noe longer then the spendinge of the beere in his house.

#### Alehouseskeepers in questioun.

Disorder proved against Henry Molyns in his victuallinge house by night, &c. per Geo. Wooldridge. Agreed to be supprest from his victuallinge.

The like for John Watlington,

Richard Barrett, John Poore,  
Thomas Spenser, Henry Rowse,  
Thomas Harris, John Gale,  
Phillip Brone, Richard Jones,  
Frauncis Nethercliffe, Widowe Tucker,  
William Kenton

} to be suprest and  
dealt with,  
prout, etc.

Memorandum, those whiche at any tyme have byn supprest, or forbidden the keeping of Alehouse, not to be certified.

Suche right as the Maiour and Burgesses have in the peece of ground inclosed by the Churche shalbe assigned frely to Sir Frauncis Knollis, prout, etc.

[p. 380.] Mondaye, vij<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1635, ac xj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sir Frauncis Knollis, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

For the better restraunte of killing, dressinge, and eating of fleshe in Lent or on Fishdayes apointed by the lawe to be hereafter observed.

\* Marked as absent.

High Ward.		Joanna Hall, vidua	. xli.
Mr. Payne Cantrell, pro		Richard Markham	. vli.
se	. xli.	Thomas Skynner	. vli.
Robert Griffen	. vli.	Johannes Tither	. xli.
Henry Eyres [?]	. vli.	Thomas Hatton	. vli.
Mr. George Dewell	. xli.	Henricus Mullins	. vli.
Franciscus Thackham	. vli.	George Man	. xli.
Radulphus Coxehed	. vli.	Henricus Hasker	. vli.
Henry Hasker	. xli.	Thomas Skynner	. vli.
John Dey	. vli.	Nicholaus Middleton	. xli.
Thomas Lea	. vli.	Henricus Hasker	. vli.
William Porter	. xli.	Mathew Bond	. vli.
William Kinge	. vli.	John Wattleton	. xli.
John Browne	. vli.	Nicholaus Middleton	. vli.
William Everid	. xli.	Mathew Bond	. vli.
William Fellowes	. vli.	Nicholaus Middleton	. vli.
John Browne	. vli.	Johannes Wattleton	. vli.
John Dey	. xli.	Willelmus Moore	. xli.
Henricus Hasker	. vli.	Henricus Hasker	. vli.
Thomas Lea	. vli.	Ricardus Waker	. vli.
William Fellowes	. xli.	Willelmus Bagley	. xli.
John Browne	. vli.	Thomas Lea	. vli.
William Everit	. vli.	John Dey	. vli.
John Browne	. xli.	Nicholaus Coplyn	. xli.
William Kinge	. vli.	John Dey <sup>6</sup>	. vli.
William Porter	. vli.	Swithin Austin	. vli.
William Kinge	. vli.	Willelmus Wickins	. xli.
William Porter	. vli.	John Pynnock	. vli.
John Browne	. vli.	Henricus Mullins	. vli.

<sup>6</sup> Philippus Goddard, vli., *crossed through here*.

Henricus Mullins .	<i>xli.</i>	Butchers.	
Johannes Pynnock .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Vindge (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Wickins .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Woodiar .	<i>vli.</i>
		Willelmus Grover .	<i>vli.</i>
Mr. John Hicks .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Sacer .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Grover (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Wickins .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Woodiar .	<i>vli.</i>
		Willelmus Vindge .	<i>vli.</i>
[p. 381.] Mynster Ward.		Johannes Woodiar (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Walker .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Grover .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Moore .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Vindge .	<i>vli.</i>
Henricus Hasker .	<i>vli.</i>		
		Thomas West (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Clifford .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Vindge .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Markham .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Woodiar .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Ashmore .	<i>vli.</i>		
		Ricardus Underwood, <i>ha-</i>	
Ricardus Markham .	<i>xli.</i>	<i>bebit licenciam</i> .	<i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Andrewes .	<i>vli.</i>	Daniel Martyn .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Backus .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Shefford .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Andrewes .	<i>xli.</i>	New Ward.	
Ricardus Markham .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Lea .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Backus .	<i>vli.</i>	John Dey .	<i>vli.</i>
		William Bagley .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Backus .	<i>xli.</i>		
Edwardus Andrewes .	<i>vli.</i>	Bennet Bayly .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Markham .	<i>vli.</i>	Franciscus Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
		Radulphus Coxhead .	<i>vli.</i>
John Pynnock .	<i>xli.</i>	Old Ward.	
Willelmus Wickins .	<i>vli.</i>	William Marshall .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Mullins .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Holmes .	<i>vli.</i>
		Johannes Tucker .	<i>vli.</i>
Christoferus Mew .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Skynner .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Holmes .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Johanne Johnson		William Marshall .	<i>vli.</i>
		Johannes Tucker .	<i>vli.</i>
Christoferus Mew .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Skynner .	<i>xli.</i>	Philippus Shiler .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Henrico Cleere		Johannes Jurden .	<i>vli.</i>
		Phillip Goddard .	<i>vli.</i>

Thomas Sacer .	<i>xli.</i>	[p. 382.] London Ward.	
Henricus Mullins .	<i>vli.</i>	Isaak Treherne .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Wickins .	<i>vli.</i>	William Grover .	<i>vli.</i>
		Thomas Skynner .	<i>vli.</i>
William Hulbert (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>		
Franciscus Browne .	<i>vli.</i>	Isaak Yorke .	<i>xli.</i>
Wigmor Quick .	<i>vli.</i>	Isaak Treherne .	<i>vli.</i>
		Daniel Martyn .	<i>vli.</i>
Francis Browne (10 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>		
William Hulbert .	<i>vli.</i>	Daniel Martyn (10 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
Wigmor Quick .	<i>vli.</i>	Isaak Yorke .	<i>vli.</i>
		Isaak Treherne .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Gatley .	<i>xli.</i>		
Wigmour Quick .	<i>vli.</i>	Wigmor Quick .	<i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Browne .	<i>vli.</i>	Daniel Martyn .	<i>vli.</i>
		Isaak Treherne .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Wilder .	<i>xli.</i>		
Edwardus Holloway .	<i>vli.</i>	John Milsopp <sup>8</sup> .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Poore .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Richardes .	[ <i>vli.</i> ]
		Ricardus Gotheridge .	[ <i>vli.</i> ]
Edwardus Holloway .	<i>xli.</i>		
Johannes Poore .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Towne .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Wilder .	<i>vli.</i>	William White <sup>8</sup> .	<i>vli.</i>
		William Wilmer .	<i>vli.</i>
John Poore <sup>7</sup> (supprest) .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Wilder .	<i>vli.</i>	Robert Creed .	<i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Holloway .	<i>vli.</i>	William Wright <sup>8</sup> .	<i>vli.</i>
		Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
High Ward.			
Thomas Hatton .	<i>xli.</i>	Jerome Pococke <sup>8</sup> .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Tither .	<i>vli.</i>	John Gatley .	<i>vli.</i>
Henricus Mullins .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Symons [?] .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Noble .	<i>xli.</i>	Edward Symons .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Nethercliffe .	<i>vli.</i>	John Gateley <sup>8</sup> .	<i>vli.</i>
William Clenton .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerome Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>
William Kenton .	<i>xli.</i>	Mary Halle, vidua (6 <i>d.</i> ) .	<i>xli.</i>
John Curttos [?] .	<i>vli.</i>	Jerrom Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Winkles .	<i>vli.</i>	Nicholas Coppline .	<i>vli.</i>

<sup>7</sup> This name crossed through.<sup>8</sup> 12*d.* against his name.



John Mappleton .	<i>xli.</i>	Michael Hablen .	<i>xli.</i>
Richard Crannidge .	<i>vli.</i>	Roger Symons .	<i>vli.</i>
Reynold Crannidge .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>
High Ward.		Henry Hablen .	<i>xli.</i>
Phillis Stockwell		Michael Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Ireland .	<i>xli.</i>	Roger Symons .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Lea .	<i>vli.</i>	Richard Parsons .	<i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>	Michael Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>
Butchers.		Henry Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>
William Turnour .	<i>xli.</i>	William Wright .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Creed .	<i>vli.</i>	Robert Creed .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Creed .	<i>vli.</i>	Frauncis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Creed .	<i>xli.</i>	Richard Crannidge .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Turnour .	<i>vli.</i>	John Mappleton .	<i>vli.</i>
Henricus Creed .	<i>vli.</i>	Reynold Crannidge .	<i>vli.</i>
Henricus Creed .	<i>xli.</i>	Reynold Crannidge .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Turnour .	<i>vli.</i>	John Mappleton .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Creed .	<i>vli.</i>	Richard Crannidge .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Clenton .	<i>xli.</i>	Old Ward.	
Henricus Nethercliffe .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Cowper .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Noble .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Noble .	<i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Robinson .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Clenton .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Clenton .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Nethercliffe .	<i>vli.</i>	Roger Ireland .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Symons .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Lea .	<i>vli.</i>
Michael Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>		
Henry Hablen .	<i>vli.</i>		

[p. 383.] Eodem 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1635.

The 5 quarters of Wheate of Mr. John Packer's guift to the poore people of this Towne was by consent of the Maiour and Magistrates distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To St. Giles' parishe 15 bushells	} by the Churchwardens and Overseers for the poore (after 3 or 4 wholle bushells, prout, etc. the rest by haulf-bushells).
To St. Lawrence parishe 15 bushells	
To St. Marie parishe 10 bushells	

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, xj<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1635, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis.

Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Mr. William Malthus\*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnor, William Brackstone, William Stretche.

At this daye Symon Dye exhibited his petition for the renewinge of his lease; and it was agreed he should renewe his lease for 3 lives, if, &c.; 80*li.* fine and 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* rent was demaunded and necessarie condicions concerning the wharfidge at the wharffe, &c. But he would not accept thereof at that rate, but wold geve 60*li.* at 5*li.* rent.

At this daye Frauncis Plommer exhibited his petition in the behaulf of Henry Plommer's children to renew a lease of parte of John Wigge's house. And it was agreed that he payeing 6*li.* 13*s.* 4*d.* fine and 20*s.* rent shall have the old lease renewed for 3 lives, for the children's use, and under the usuall condicions in the Hall leases, &c. Accepted thankfully.

The Church-Wardens of St. Lawrence exhibited a petition concerning the releefe of the poore by the wood stocke. Refer'd to the Vestrey of the parishe.

At this daye Richard Atwater exhibited his petition for more relief, &c., and it was agreed he shall have xs. a quarter more then heretofore, soe of the Coffer[ers] xx*s.* a quarter.

At this daye Bartholmewe Haynes exhibited his petition for some allowance in regard he was sodenly put from his place of Overseer, &c.; and it was agreed he shalbe paid v*li.* out of the increase money, or by the undertakers.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, the Widowe Stevens' lease of the Woolhall to be first drawn in paper.

Memorandum, the goodes beames and skales.

Some speaches were at this daye had with Henry Tubbe about the House of Correccion, but refer'd untill another tyme to be better examyned.

[p. 384.] Wensday, 23<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1635, et xj regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636, ac xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Agreed to paye old Haynes vj*li*.

James Winche to paye for th'encrease & 1 yeare's rent till this daye, xx*li*., provided noe lawe-charges was in question.

[p. 385.] Wensdaye, vj<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Richard Burren, John Jenins\*, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the Mayour and Burgesses graunted and confirmed the void plott of ground adjoyning to St. Lawrence's Church, betwene the Counter Wall and the Walke, to Sir Frauncis Knollis th'elder, and his heires, to th'intent that at his owne charges he shall buyld an Isle thereuppon to be and remayne to the Church for ever, &c. Vide lez coppie of the deed uppon the file and in the great Booke, &c.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blaggrave brought and delivered a decree made by the Lord Keeper concerninge the surrendering of a lease, &c. and the having of a new; but it was for some causes refer'd to be aunswered the next Wensday, &c.

At this daye William Barnett, a shereman, was apointed to have the Almeshouse that Thomas Lane had of Mr. William Kendricke's foundation, with the allowaunce and benefittes thereof, &c.

At this daye Edward Strowde was called in question for his fredome, but he denyed to stand to the order of the Companye, &c. And thereuppon was forbidden the makinge of Malt, &c.

At this daye Mr. William Jermen, beinge a forreyner and usinge the trade of a berebrewer, made his composicion for his freedome and paid therefore *xlii*.

Memorandum, to drawe a lease of the garden plott, &c. to Sir Frauncis Knollis, junior, and leave blankes for the terme and rent, &c.

Memorandum, divers tradesmen appeared to have their freedome registred; to divers of them daye was geven to paye their duties and fees, untill Whitson weeke next.

Memorandum, to drawe a lease of the Woolhall in paper.

At this daye William Bennett, a taylour, and usinge the trade of a taylour, (beinge a foreyner and shadowed by his brother Henry Bennett,) was convented to departe the Towne at or before the Fridaye in Whitson weeke next, with his wief and children, or to paye *xlii*, the penaltie of suche offendours, &c.

And if William Bennett shall not soe doe by that tyme, then Henry Bennett for his abusinge the governement shall stand disfranchised and be noe more a freman of this Corporacion, &c.

[p. 386.] Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maieur*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

Mr. William Maulthus, Richard Burren\*, John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge\*, Richard Jayes\*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche\*.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blagrove did not meete at the Towne Hall as was apointed. But Mr. Anthony Blagrove and Mr. Alexander were there and soe nothing done in their busynes.

At this daye eleccion of the 3 poore Maid-servauntes to cast lottes for the xx nobles upon Good Fridaye next was made for eache parishe one, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Lawrence parishe.

Avis Hawkyns, late servaunt to William Grenwaye, agayne apointed to cast the lotte; cast 7.

In St. Marye parishe.

Anne Grenwaye, servaunt to Mr. Christofer Turnour; cast 5 [?].

In St. Giles' parishe.

Anne Grenwaye, servaunt to Mr. William Malthus; cast viij [?] and had the lott of 6*li*. 13*s*. 4*d*.

Memorandum, the booke of decree of the Court of Starre-Chamber on Mr. Thomas Harrison.

[p. 387.] Good-Fridaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, armiger.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtice\*.

Mr. William Maulthus\*, Richard Burren\*, John Jennynge\*, Robert Dee, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes\*, Edward Baker, William Turnor, William Brackston\*, William Stretche.

\* Marked as absent.



The 3 poore Maidservantes elected to cast the lottes this daye.

2. Avis Hawkyns for St. Lawrence parishe.

1. Anne Greenawaye, servant to Mr. Turnour, for St. Marie's parishe.

1. Anne Grenewaye, servant to Mr. William Malthus, for St. Giles' parishe; she had the lott of *vj/l. xiijs. iiijd.*

Memorandum, this is the 5th yeare for Southcott maid (being capable to cast the lott); and one Amye Cottrell, servant to Sir John Blagrove x yeares without chaunge, was presented to have the benefitt of the 5th yeare: but some testimoney beinge that she had a riche father able to geve her a good portion the most voices put her by and elected a poore maidservant to cast the lottes for St. Marye parishe.

At this daye Tobye Marten, the assignee of Mr. Joseph Blagrove, paid the *xli.* due this day accordinge to the last will and testament of Mr. John Blagrove, late deceased, in a newe purse of leather, and it was this daye distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Anne Grenewaye, servant to Mr. William Malthus, that did  
wyn the lott . . . . . *vj/l. xiijs. iiijd.*

To the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence's . . . . . *xxs.*

To the Churchwardens of St. Mary's . . . . . *xxs.*

To the Churchwardens of St. Giles' . . . . . *vjs.*

To the Preacher that daye . . . . . *x s.*

To the Junior Churchwarden of St. }  
Lawrence's . . . . . } *iijs. iijd.*

To the Clarke and Sexten *3s. 4d.* a peice.

At this daye alsoe the *iiij/l.* of Mr. William Brackston's guift was by direccions of his will distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To the same 60 poore weomen in St. Marie's . . . . . *xxs.*

To the same 60 in St. Lawrence parishe . . . . . *xxs.*

To other 60 in St. Giles' parishe . . . . . *xxs.*

And to xx poore men *xijd.* a peice, viz<sup>t</sup>. *xxs.*

To 7 in St. Marye parishe }  
To 7 in St. Lawrence parishe } at the Maiour's apointment  
To 6 in St. Giles' parishe } . . . . of the Will.

Memorandum, nothinge done in Mr. Blagrove's busy[n<sup>e</sup>s] at this tyme, as was expected.

At this daye alsoe 3*li*. of Widowe Worsley's guift was distributed to lx poore widowes, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Giles' parishe	.	.	.	25
In St. Lawrence parishe	.	.	.	25
In St. Marye parishe	.	.	.	10

At this daye alsoe iiij*li*. of Mr. Willyam Legge his guift to 24 poore housholders was distributed to—3*s*. 4*d*. a peice.

8 in St. Marye parishe.  
8 in St. Lawrence parishe.  
8 in St. Giles' parishe.

[p. 388.] 24<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, *Majore*.

Memorandum, Bengamenus Wheate, junior,	} ad comparendum ad
de Tilehurst in comitatu Berkes, laborer,	
cognovit se debere domino Regi 40 <i>li</i> .	
et Bengamenus Wheate, senior, de Tile-	
hurst, in predicto, husbandman, cognovit	} proximam Ses-
se debere dicto domino Regi 40 <i>li</i> .	
	} sionem Pacis post
	} festum sancti Jo-
	} hannis Baptiste
	} proximum.

For a saddle, jur' Johannis Clynton.

D [mark of B. Wheate?]

Ad Sessionem Pacis.

9<sup>o</sup> Mondaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*, circa horam x<sup>am</sup> in nocte.

Lawrencius Creed complayneth that Mr. Antonye Libbe and Richard Norden did about an hower past assaulte, beate and evill intreat the said Lawrence and put him in great feare, and thereuppon prayeth securitye to goe in peace. Super sacramentum suum.

Memorandum, quod Antonius Libb, generosus, cog-	} quod ipse
novit se debere domino Regi x <i>li</i> .	
Ricardus Norden, de le Vine Court	
in le Inner Temple, London, et	
Georgius Dewell de Reading,	} manucep' se-
generosus . . . . .	
	} paratim sub
	} penam quin-
	} que librarum.
	} ad proxi-
	} mam Ses-
	} sionem Pa-
	} cis, etc.

Memorandum etiam, quod Ricardus Norden de le Vine Court in le Inner Temple, London, cognovit se debere domino Regi x*li*. quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum.

<sup>o</sup> The entries on this page, 2<sup>o</sup> Maii to 14<sup>o</sup> Junii, are crossed through in the MS.



Antonius Libb, generosus, et Georgius Dewell de [etc.] manuc' separatim sub pena *vli.* ad comparendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis.

14<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1636, predictus Lawrencius Creed quantum in se est relaxavit predicto Antonio Libb et Ricardo Norden predicto securitatem pacis, etc.

7<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1636, Nicholas Dambrell, of Wantage, complayneth that John Stevens, of Eye and Dunnsdew, hath begotten Joane Dambrell, his daughter, with childe.

[p. 389.] Fridaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

Th'accomptes of the Shipp-money beinge 260*li.* imposed uppon the Boroughe of Readinge by his Majestie's writt, by whiche it appeareth there is collected 11*li.* more then the 260*li.*, and that 8*li.*

19<sup>o</sup> die Maii, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

Johan Dambrell, spinster, late servant to John Milsopp, senior, in Readinge, a yeare and haulf a quarter, and hath byn from his service a moneth or thereabouts.

Complayneth that she is with childe, begotten by John Stevens, of Dunsdew, in Oxford-shiere, . . . Thursdaye or Fridaye morninge . . . fortnight before Candlemas last, in the Vasterne, nere the Bowling Alley.

In that tyme she was in companye with one Goodman Browne, neighbour to John Stevens, whiche made love to her, as she thought, at the Bell, in Readinge, and from thence Browne and she went to the house of one Nathaniell Blacknall in the night tyme and there stayed untill the morninge . . . , and then the said John Stevens went with her to bringe her to her Master's house . . . . and the said John Stevens and she went both into the Vasternes, and there he begott her with childe, and that noe man had knowledge of her bodye but he.

\* Marked as absent.

† The remainder of this page is crossed through in the MS.

John Stevens saith he did never see her till Thursdaye or Wensdaye before Candlemas last, and she said soe likewise.

Sessio Pacis. Memorandum, quod Johannes	} quod ipse com-
Stevens cognovit se debere domino Regi	
xlii. . . . .	
Willelmus Symons de Playhatche [?] in com.	
predicto, husbandman, et	
Thomas Payne de eadem, husbandman, ma-	} Sessionem Pa-
nucep' separatim sub pena vii. per se .	
Relaxavit et dicit quod ipsa repent'.	

S, W. S., Thomas Payne.

[p. 390.] Mondaye, xvj<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour (went home), Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

Mr. William Maulthus, Richard Burren, John Jenins, Robert Dee, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, William Brackston, William Stretche \*.

At this daye Joseph East promised that if he doe not within a weeke after Midsomer next paye the one haulf of his rent nowe due, then he will yeld uppe his right of and in the Towne land, &c. without sute, &c.

Thomas Newland will aunswere at Midsomer for his fredome.

Tuesdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. William Turnour, and many other clothiers.

At this daye the Lettres Patente graunted to Mr. John Ethrington and Henry Stretche, for and concerning the having and providinge of rooles single and double by Clothiers and Spynners, and

\* Marked as absent.

Combers of wooll, were twise openly read. And his promise to come agayne as he returneth out of the West.

[p. 391.] 7<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne.

The Lawdaye Jurye and for the Clarke of the Markett.

The names of the Jurours.

John Mylles, gröcer, jurator primus.

William White	} jurati.	Nathaniell Chandler	} jurati.
Christofer Blower		Robert Stevens	
John Nashe		Joell Stevens	
John White	} jurati.	Henry Frewyn	}
Edward Stroud		Edward Feyttone [?]	
Christofer Goad		Bartholmewe Lake	
William Saunders	} jurati.	Richard Edmundes, juratus	
Thomas Iremonger		John Webb, juratus.	
John Milles, William White,	} Affirers, jurati.		
Christofer Blower, John Nashe,			
John White, Edward Strowde			

To geve their verdict the 14 of September.

[p. 392.] Quarter-daye, die Veneris, x<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis, *egrotus*.

Mr. William Malthus \*, Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, William Stretche.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the 40*li.* had of the lotterye was agayne lent to six other poore Townesmen, according to the direccions of the donour, &c. viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Frauncis Browne, baker,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
John Pemmerton, Richard Seelye.					
To Abraham Paise, baker,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
Mr. Burningham, Mathewe Turnour.					
To John Browne, cardmaker,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
Andrewe Wright, John Perott.					
To Edward Staunton, shomaker,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
Richard Markham, William Staunton.					
To John Avelyn, cutler,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
John Castell, James Berrey.					
To Nicholas Wilder,	.	.	v <i>li.</i>	xiijs.	iiij <i>d.</i>
William Elkyns, senior, Rafe Wilder.					

Memorandum, a Kalender of all the Debtes, &c.

William Staunton requested to have his rent abated, or his house repaired. Both denyed being for the poore: but if he will repaire it, and paye 7*li.* rent per annum he shall have further tyme in his lease. Refer'd till the next meetinge.

Memorandum, Robert Westmerland to be sent for.

Memorandum, I lent Mr. Anthony Brackston the paper pamphlett to copie out.

[p. 393.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

Richard Burren\*, John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour\*, William Brackston, William Stretch\*.

At this daye the residue of the xxv*li.* due at Ladye-daye last for the rent of the farme and landes purchased to paye the 50*li.* per

\* Marked as absent.

annum to Mistris Anne Newman during her lief, whiche from the daye of her death grewe due to the poore of the Towne by direccions of Mr. John Kendricke's last Will, beinge *xvli. 6s. 8d.* it was agreed to be paid at and for this tyme onelye (equallye) to the Overseers for the poore of eache parishe within the Towne. And that, when the next haulf yeare's rent shalbe due, further consideracion shalbe had for the devision thereof for the poore, as the Will directeth.

And it was then agreed that eache parishe shall have paid to the Overseers for the poore.

*vli.* to the Overseers of St. Marie's parishe.

*vli.* to the Overseers of St. Lawrence parishe.

*vli. vjs. viijd.* to the Overseers of St. Giles' parishe.

To geve accomptes at Easter next.

Wensdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., *xij<sup>o</sup>*.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Arther Curtis \*.

At this daye it was agreed that theise children being of poore parentage shalbe put out apprentices and, their Masters givinge securitye, shal have *vli.* a peece, to be repaid *xs.* per annum *x* yeares.

[p. 394.] *xxvij<sup>o</sup>* Junii, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, William Stretche \*.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blagrove promised to paye his rent at his returne from London or within a weeke after the Assizes ; and

\* Marked as absent.

promised alsoe to bringe in the lease he had of Mr. Turnour in short tyme after his return from London.

Memorandum, to cause another meetinge immediatlye after the Assizes about this busynes.

Memorandum, that Sir Edward Clerke was intreated to tell Mr. Blagrave he shalbe sued for the rent, &c.

At this daye it was agayne agreed that the Chartre shalbe renued with suche newe addicions as maye be gotten, &c. And that the Cofferer shall deliver to Sir Edward *vii.* towards the charges.

Mr. Jacobb agreed to have the wood at Burghfeild and to paye *xij*li.** for it at Bartholmewtide next, &c.

At this daye it was agreed that the interteynement of the Judges shalbe in all thinges as it was at the last Assizes.

Memorandum, the Assizes shalbe here holden the *xijth* of Julye.

[p. 395.] *xj<sup>o</sup>* Julii, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore.*

#### The Examynacion of John Hasteed.

Whoe saith he dwelleth at Stoke, *ij* myles from Faram, in the countye of Southampton, and there hath dwelt all his dayes and all his tyme hath lived by his labour in husbandrye.

The cause of his cominge to this Towne was thinkinge to be a servant hereabouts, to amend his livinge, and on Saturdaye last came into Readinge about *x* of the clocke, noe companye; and seeinge he could not procure any of his kindred in this cuntrye, beinge of good respect, to be bounde for him, and havinge in his possession one mare, colour blacke, shorne on the mane hobbye fashion, whiche mare he offered to sell in the Corne-Markett place on Saturday last, and saith he bredd the mare at Stoke aforesaid, and she is aged 7 yeares.

Suspected he hath stollen the mare. Comitted to Counter.

Afterwardes viz<sup>t</sup>. *18<sup>o</sup>* Julii, 1636, the said John Hasteed was agayne examined and saith as before is said, and further that he lately was in Horsham gaole in Sussex. He could gett noe sureties nor certificate. Committed to Gaole.

Ad proximas Assizes. Postea, scilicet, [*blank*] die Julii, 1636, the same mare was preised worth [*blank*] by [*blank*].

xj<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*.

William Walles and Edith his wief complayne that the said Edith is beaten and muche wronged by Nicholas Ashemore his wief, and beaten, and desire they maye get peace.

[p. 396.] Tuesdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

At this daye the poyntes and matters of alteracion and addicions in the Chartre, whiche Sir Edward Clerke, with the assistance of Mr. Barnard, had collected and put in readines to be presented, were onely in question, and well liked, savinge the lacke of one article, &c.

Wensdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636, et 12<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye Thomas Frewyn was willed to keepe Henry Collinson, the poore boy, one moneth more, and then consideracion should be had for apparrell or money to have him bound apprentice, or &c.

Memorandum, to warne Mr. Danyell Blagrove against Mondaye come senight.

Tuesdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis \*.

Richard Burren, John' Jeninges, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston.

Memorandum, Fridaye next for Mr. Blagrove.

\* Marked as absent.



And the undertakers of the common stocke to attend that daye.

At this daye the iiij<sup>th</sup> payment towards the repaireinge of St. Pawles Church was in question and parte collected, prout, etc.

[p. 397.] Fridaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

Richard Burren, John Jeninges \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*.

At this daye the counterparte of the first lease of Southcott by Mr. Thomas Turnour's meanes was had of Mr. Daniell Blagrove and put into the boxe agayne.

At this daye Mr. Danyell Blagrove agayne promised to paye the costes and the rent arrere(s) at th'ensealling of the lease, &c.

At this daye the said Maiour and Burgesses had a generall survey of the securities of the common stocke and other the stocke of money they have in trust. Vide le boxe and bondes therein.

Memorandum, Thomas Hellawes, a shereman, is at Sir Thomas Vachell's request to have a journeyman's place in the Workhouse, (if he will accept it.)

Wensdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye Robert Creed paid for the blacke	} 34s. 6d.
mare taken for a straye in Mr. Bente's	
yeare . . . . .	
Bcsides he paid the Belman for charges	. 3s. 6d.

\* Marked as absent.

The fremen Bakers complayne.

That Edward Tegg, a stranger baker, breweth and selleth beere without licens.

Robert Staples, John Redforne, Thomas Ayres, glovers, complayned.

That John Norman, being a stranger, useth the trade of a Glover within this Boroughe. Required to paye *v*l*i.* for his contempt in usinge the trade against governement.

[p. 398.] Fridaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*.

[No business recorded for this day, and remainder of page blank.]

[p. 399.] Tuesday, 30<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Sessio seu curia Clerici Mercati hospitii domini Regis Anglie, etc. per Carolum Walker, generosum, deputatum Hugonis Maii, armigeri, virtute literarum patentium, datarum, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Nomina Juratorum.

Johannes Mylles,		Johannes Webb	
primus		Moyses Willys	
Willelmus White		Richard Edmundes	
Christofer Blower		Bartholmewe Lake	
Willelmus Saunders	} jurati.	Andrewe Wright	} jurati.
Thomas Iremonger		Johannes Parrett	
Nathaniell Chandler		Thomas Cope	
Henricus Frewyn		Robert Staples	
Edward Whitton		Ricardus Levyns	

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 400.] Eleccion-daye, Thursdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1636, ac xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis \*, *egrotus*.

Secondary Burgesses.

Richard Burren, John Jennings, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackstone.

At this day the said Mayour and Capitall Burgesses by directions of their chartre did nominate and appoint 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion to the intent and purpose that one of those 3 by the said Mayor and residue of the said Burgesses shalbe elected Maior for the next yeare as by their Chartre is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. George Thorne, Maiour elect, IIIIIIIIIIIII [14].
2. Mr. Antonye Brackston.
3. Mr. Arther Curtis.

At this daye Mr. Charles Hamlyn brought in a boxe full of writings concerninge the land purchased of Mr. Saxbye at Burghfeild.

Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders \*, Esq.

Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis \*.

Richard Burren, John Jennings, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, Willyam Brackston.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the busynes concerning the Weavers and Sheremen and Buchers placed in the Workhouse for the working of the clothes made there by the undertakers of the common stocke was surveyed and ordered as in that booke appeareth.

[p. 401.] Tuesdaye, 20 Septembris, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye Mr. Mayour in the sight and presence of John Mylles, William White, John Webb, William Saunders, Edward Wytton, Henry Frewyn, six of the Jurours for the Lawdaye, did seale and size divers bushells, peckes, gallons, yarden, elles and other thinges belonginge to the office of the Clerke of the Markett, &c.

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

Secondarye Burgesses.

Richard Burren, John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour\*, William Brackston\*.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. John Jenyns, Mr. William Jacob, and Mr. Peter [Bur]ningham shall viewe the cause of the complaynt made [by] Mr. Robert Dye against Edward Johnson for stopping lightes, and other wronges, &c. And they to certifie their opinions as concerninge the wronges.

Lease. At this daye it was agreed that Thomas Lowgrove payeing 3*li*. to the poore at Christmas next, his lease shalbe renued for 99 yeres, (if he, Joane his wief and John their sonne live soe longe,) at the former rent and covenantes, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

But not to lett or sell . . . but for<sup>2</sup> . . . yeares, as in the former lease (exceptinge for ten yeres) at some partes of the premisses.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the house and land at Burghfeild was graunted to George Lowgrove of Burfeild; to hold from Michaelmas next for xxj yeares at vj*li*. rent, payable haulf-yearly or within xxj dayes, uppon rent . . . keeping reparacions.

Towardes whiche he shall have xxs. allowed him in his first haulf yeare's rent.

Lawrence Coxede's land (?) shalbe sued fourthwith for not performing the condicion, &c.

William Bishoppe, a chaundler, havinge married Castell Wiggins, widowe, made composicion for his freedome in this Towne, and it was agreed he shall paye iij*li*. . . . allowed next Wensdaye.

John Norman, a felmonger	} forbidden to use tradinge.
John Pidgeon, a cutler	

[p. 402.] 26<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1636, xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*, Mr. John Newman.

At this daye there was muche talke and brabbling with some people of Wokingham and some of Readinge about quarrellinge and loosinge hatt-bandes and suche petty thinges, but nothing fitt to bynd over any of them, &c.

27<sup>o</sup> die Septembris, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

At this daye the differences betwene the Tobacco-pipe makers were heard, &c., and left to the lawe to be tryed, prout, &c.

28<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

\* '3' crossed through here.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Mr. Daniell Blagrove his lease of his uncle's house and landes at Southcott was sealed, accordinge to the decree in that case made in the highe Court of Chauncerye the last terme, prout, etc.

At this daye a lease of the Woolhall accordinge to the agreement formerly made by a generall consent was sealed to Margaret Stevens, widowe.

At this daye alsoe a lease formerly graunted to Henry Plommer's children was sealed. *vj* *li*. *xiijs*. *iiij* *d*. was paid for the fine.

*iiij* *li*. was this daye paid for the composicion-fine of William Bishoppe, tallow-chandler, whoe marryed the Widowe Wickyns, for his fredome.

Memorandum, the counterparte of Mr. Danyell Blagrove his lease.

30 September, 1636.

Mr. John Dewell, *Maiour*. Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Agreed that watche and ward shalbe contynued and kept by daye and night in suche like manner as it hath byn, untill comand shalbe to the contrarye, within this Boroughe.

[p. 403.] 30 Septembris, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli, etc. Anglie xij<sup>o</sup>, etc. Coram Johanne Dewell, *generoso*, *Majore*.

Th'accomptes of the fines and amerciamentes of Michaellmas Law-day and Clarke of the Markett of the Kinge's Majestie's household with the verge this yeare.

Received of Frauncis Thackham th'accomptant for	}	<i>li</i> .	<i>s</i> .	<i>d</i> .
parte of the amerciamentes for Michaellmas		11	2	10
Lawdaye . . . . .				

Received for amerciamentes and forfeitures for				
defaultes by fee [?] . . . . .		14	4	9

In toto ad hoc . . . . .		25	7	7
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besides of Mr. Thomas Harrison *4* *li*. whiche he is to score of for the Judges' beere.

Wensdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

Memorandum, then I paid Mr. Saunders, in further parte of his debt, 40s., and soe remayneth to paye 40s.<sup>8</sup>; whiche 40s. was paid to Mr. Saunders by his man Charles Hamley at Easter Sessions, 1637; per W. W[ilmer].

Postea, 20<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637, the next daye after I came from Quarter sessions, Charles Hamley came in his Master's name for 40s. due to him of the former reckoninge. I then paid him 40s. in full payment of that debt. W. W[ilmer].

[p. 406.] Tuesdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

Richard Burren, John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston.

At this daye the 25*li.* of Mr. John Kendricke's guift due at Michaelmas last past was receaved and delivered to the Overseers of the poore, viz<sup>t</sup>.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To St. Marye parishe . . .	8	6	8
To St. Lawrence parishe . . .	8	6	8
To St. Giles' parishe . . .	8	6	8

At this daye Edward Hamblen did take oath to doe the office of a Secondarye Burgesse of this Boroughe.

At this daye alsoe all the Clothiers of this Boroughe appeared and heard the proclamacion of and concerninge the Cloth roole openly read.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>8</sup> The 1637 notes added later.



Robert Dye and	}	Cofferers, jurati.
William Jacobb		
Peter Thorne	}	Constables, jurati.
William Willmer		
Ferdinando Clarke	}	Wardens of High Ward, jurati.
Jeffrey Richebell		
William Elkins, jun.	}	Wardens in Minster Ward, jurati.
George Curtis		
William Bishopp	}	Wardens of London Ward, jurati.
Phillip Hill		
Henry Tubbe and	}	Wardens of Newe Ward, jurati.
Robert Gibbyns		
John Tucker and	}	Wardens in Old Ward, jurati.
Christofer Alnutt		

And at this daye and tyme the said late Maiour made his accomptes openlye in the Towne Hall of all the stockes of money, yearly rentes and revenues geuen to charitable uses in this Corporacion, whiche came and were in his charge in the tyme of his Maioraltie, as in and by the billes of the particulers remayninge on the file maye at large appeare.

[p. 405.] Fridaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis, *egrotus*.

At this daye the quietus for the fee-farme rent of the Towne paid for Mr. Bente's yeare was taken out of Chest and delivered to Mr. Dewell.

The difference betwixt John Clifford and Elizabeth Willowbye, whome he hired at Wantage Faire to serve him at 35s. per annum, was heard and ended; he gave her ijs. and she departed from his service.

And likewise the difference betwixt John Clifford and Anne Berrey, his servant, was alsoe heard and ended. The difference betwixt them was for lacke of her wages, and for beating.

\* Marked as absent.

and one Richard Birche, a tanner, havinge agreed and bargayned the gelding, they goeing together to the booke-keeper, there was not a voucher sufficiently knowne to the booke-keeper to be had ; whereupon suspition was had of the partie, the geldinge seised, the sellour examyned and stayed upon suspition.

Examyned, saith he hath noe certen dwellinge ; he was late apprentice with Mr. William Cripps, a vintener in Woodstreete, and hath byn out of London 2 yeares or thereaboutes, and hath spent the most parte of that tyme in Shropshire about Little Wenlock, within 5 or 6 myles of Shrewesberye, and about a moneth after Easter last he bought this geldinge of a freind then dwelling at Little Wenlocke, but knoweth not his name, and was nowe mynded to returne agayne into Shropshire, and lackinge money was willinge to sell the geldinge. He came to London about a weeke past, hopinge of employment.

In his companye was one Willyam Wells, whoe saith, borne at Billinge in the county of Northampton, and hath byn late apprentice in London to a taylor, Mr. Rudd, in Cruched Fryers, whome the said John Barker offered to be voucher. Assises. 12<sup>o</sup> [?] Nov. Saith he bought the gelding of a freind but knoweth not where ; it cost 6*li*. and above. Craved to staye a weeke longer . . . Committitur ad Gaolam.

[p. 408.] Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Tuesdaye, 8 Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis, *egrotus*.

\* Marked as absent.

The busynes this daye was concerninge Mr. Saunders his goeing to Mr. Secretarye about the unequall charge of the Shipmoney, hoping of a mitigation of parte.

Memorandum, quod Samuell Ayris, de Weedon, in comitatu Northampton, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi quadraginta libras, quod ipse prosequatur versus Johannem Barker ad proximas Assisas, etc.

12<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*.

Assises. Willelmus Plomley, de Weedon Beck, in comitatu Northampton, generosus, cognovit se debere domino Regi centum libras, sub condicione quod ipse ad proximas Assisas et Gaolam deliber' tenendas pro comitatu Berk' prosequatur versus Johannem Barker pro felonice capiendo uno spado coloris baye de bonis et cattallis ipsius Willelmi modo in gaola. Super hoc spado predicto deliberatum fuit. Vide le file.

<sup>6</sup> Bartholmew Abrey beate and wounded.

Ad Assisas. 11<sup>o</sup> Novembris<sup>7</sup>, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*, etc., et Edwardo Clerke, milite, etc.

Memorandum, quod Jacobus Whitehead, de	} quod compareat	
Sonninge, etc. carpenter, pro se xx <i>li</i> .		ad proximas
Galfridus Fell, de Caversham, etc. pro se		Assisas ad re-
xx <i>li</i> . et		spondendum,
Jacobus Whitehead manucep' xx <i>li</i> .	} etc.	

Memorandum, quod Henricus Jackson pro se xx*li*. et Jacobus Whitehead pro [se] xx*li*. Sub tali condicione concern. Bart. Abrey.

Memorandum, quod Batt. Harrison cognovit	} quod ipsi compa-	
pro se xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		reant ad proxi-
Willelmus Mattingley de Lawrence Waltham,		mas Assisas ad
yeoman, pro se xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		prosequendum
	} ....	

Vide le<sub>3</sub> file pro aliis . . . .

Bartholmewe Abrey, gunsmyth, pro se xx*li*. ad prosequendum, sed relaxavit.

<sup>6</sup> The remaining entries on this page are crossed through in the MS.

<sup>7</sup> Added, Postea, 18 Febr. . . . in se relaxavit, etc.

[p. 409.] Mondaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

At this daye consultacion was had about the assessinge of the Shipmoney to be assessed within the Boroughe.

Fridaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

James Winche shall have 6 of the clothes to sell, bringinge in the money or a bill to one of the Masters within 14 dayes.


Saturdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis, *egrotus*.

At this daye Richard Fortescue, gent., servant to Sir Edward Clerke, was, by and with a full consent of all the Magistrates then beinge, admitted and allowed to be one of th'Attorneyes in this Court, in the roometh and place of Mr. Anthony Mason, late deceased, and the said Richard Fortescue did then and there in the sight and presence of the said *Maiour* and Magistrates take the oath of an Attorney to doe the office of an Attorney there accordingly.

[p. 410.] 25<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne.

Ricardus Freeston cognovit se debere	}	ad comparendum ad proximas Sessiones Pa- cis ad respondendum ad omnia.
domino Regi xlii.		
Stephanus Faithorne, weaver, Thomas Wheeler, wever, manuc' vlii.		
Richard Freestone, Steven Faithorn,		

\* Marked as absent.

Tuesdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis, *egrotus*.

At this daye and tyme it was enformed that Mr. Doctour Bird, schoolmaster of the Free Schoole in Readinge, departed this lief about ij of the clocke in that morninge, whereby the Schoole was vacant of a Schoolemaster.

And instantlye the lettres formerly directed to the said Maiour and Burgesses by his Majestie's comand under the hand of Sir Frauncis Windebanke, concerninge the vacancye of the said Schoole, were taken out of chest, openly read and in all obedience thereof, request made to Sir Edward Clerke fourthwith to make certificate of Mr. Doctour Birde's deceasse to the Lord Archebishopp's Grace, &c.

[p. 411.] Mondaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

At this daye the Hall accomptes were made and geven uppe of all the revenues of the Hall for the yeare Mr. John Dewell was Maiour, Mr. John Iremonger and Robert Dye, cofferers.

Th'Accomptant was charged with all the

certain rentes as by the rent-rolle in particular appeareth to the some of	.	.	.	li.	s.	d.
				243	19	7
Uncertain receiptes	.	.	.	034	1	10
Ould quitrentes	.	.	.	000	13	10
Encrochementes	.	.	.	000	10	10
Arrerages received	.	.	.	010	15	00
The wholle charge				290	00	3 [sic]

\* Marked as absent.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Ordinarye paymentes . . .	155	00	8
Extraordinarye paymentes . . .	111	13	4
Arrerages not receaved . . .	007	06	00
Allowances	274	00	0
Rest in th'Accomptantes handes . . .	16	00	3

Whiche was directed to be paid into the handes of Robert Dye, the next Accomptant, with a particuler of this yeare's arrerages of rentes, and of the debtes oweinge to the Towne Hall by the House of Correccion, and for other causes as his rent-rolle shall direct.

And a newe rent-rolle to be made to the next Cofferer to direct him what he is to receave and paye in the next yeare, concerninge the Hall affaires and not otherwayes without consent of the Mayour and Magistrates.

Th'arrerages unpaid shall appeare in the next Accomptant's rolle, as is fittinge in that case.

And as touchinge the denyalls of payment of the taxes of the inhabitantes towards the Shipmoney to be had of the men and landholders within the Boroughe, the remedye is refer'd to the direccions of the Counsell of the Corporacion and to be proceeded therein as the Counsell shall direct at their next meetinge, &c.

At this daye Mr. John Dewell brought in the quietus of the fee-farme of the yeare he was Mayour and the other quietus that he had out.

19<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1636.

It was enformed that William Blackman had taken into dores in his house one James Grandye, a taylour, and his wief being great with childe, was charged to rid them this daye and not to suffre the woman to lodge there this night at his perill. William Blackman promised to bring the man to Mr. Maiour . . . .

[p. 412.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, *egrotus*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, *licen.*, Mr. Arther Curtice, *egrotus*.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

Richard Burren, John Jenyns, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour\*, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye in performaunce of the trust reposed in the said Maiour and Burgesses, they did distribute theise somes of money followeing, viz<sup>t</sup>.

iiij*li*. of and by meanes of the former guift of Mr. Edward Kemishe to xxiiij poore housholders in this Corporacion, 3*s*. 4*d*. a-peice.

- 7 In St. Marye parishe.
- 8 In St. Lawrence parishe.
- 9 In St. Giles' parishe.

iiij*li*. of the former guift of Mr. Edward Hamblen to ten poore men, whereof two of them poore butchers, 8*s*. a-peice.

- 4 In St. Lawrence parishe.
- 3 In St. Marye parishe.
- 3 In St. Giles' parishe.

Ten shirtes and smockes of the former guift of Mr. James Pocke to ten poore people of this Corporacion, besides other *vj* to the parishe of [*blank*].

- 3 in St. Marye parishe.
- 3 in St. Lawrence parishe.
- 4 in St. Giles' parishe.

iiij*li*. for a composition-fine to renewe his lease of Northstreete house and landes, and to chaunge one life to maynteyne 50*li*. per annum, to the use of the poore of this Corporacion ; viz<sup>t</sup>.

			<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
xx <i>s</i> . for St. Marye parishe	.	.	(4	8 abated.)
xx <i>s</i> . for St. Lawrence parishe	.	.	(4	8 abated.)
xx <i>s</i> . for St. Giles' parishe .	.	.	(4	8 abated.)
			(14 <i>s</i> .)	

15*s*. 4*d*. a parishe, towardes charges of a childbirth hapened by a cripple from tithinge to tithinge by passe within this Boroughe.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye Joseph Ewest promised to paye in the money due within one moneth next, or ells to pawne his tooles and goodes for payment betwixt this and Midsomer next.

At this daye it was agreed that Christofer Graye shall againe walke the streetes in the night with his bell, takinge direccion from Sir Edward Clerke for makinge his speches in the night shorter then formerlye, untill Ascention daye, &c.

A further complaint of the Glovers freemen against John Norman, a forreyner, for usinge the trade of a glover or felmonger within the Boroughe. Agreed that a warant to levye the penaltie, &c.

[p. 413.] Tuesdaye, 20 Decembris, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, &c.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis\*.

At this daye the said Maiour and Capitall Burgesses did advise and consider with themselves and their Counsell about their proceedinges for the Shipmoney not collected.

Afterwardes in the same daye lettres from the Lord Archbishopp's Grace of Canterburye, for the admitting of Mr. William Page, a Master of Artes and Fellowe of St. John's Colledge, [Oxford,] were receaved, and he instantlye admytted Scholmaster of the Free Schoole in the roometh and place of Doctour Byrd, deceased, &c. All the lettres and copies of lettres sent and receaved about this newe Schoolmaster are in the box of bandes and other thinges in the Hall.

Tuesdaye, 27<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arthur Curtis, *egrotus*.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye for some causes it was thought fitt to present Mr. Secretarye Windebanke with ij good suger-loves, to the value of 30 or 40s., he beinge at his house at Haynes Hill.

And in like manner ij<sup>o</sup> other to Sir Richard Harrison, Highe Sheriffe, &c.

Fridaye, 30<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Saturdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. John Dewell.

Agreed that William Willmer shall lend 40*li.* of his charge to make uppe the Shipmoney 200*li.*, untill it shalbe collected.

[p. 414.] 13<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*.

Joseph Taylour, of Shiplacke, in comitatu Oxon, yeoman, complayneth that Frauncis Hamblen, John Hamblen and William Hamblen, Henry Hamblen, of Readinge, butchers, have threatened to beate, kill, &c. and hath taken oath to that purpose, and prayeth security of the peace against every of them, &c., ad proximam Sessionem Pacis. Juratus.

Sessio Pacis. 23 Decembris, 1636.

Johannes Hamblen cog-	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in comitatu predicto ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim teneat pacem versus cunctum populum, etc. et precipue versus Josephum Taylour, etc.
novit se . x <i>li.</i>		
Henry Hamblen . v <i>li.</i>		
Francis Hamblen . v <i>li.</i>		

\* Marked as absent.

Henricus Hamblen, pro se .	xlii.	} quod ipse Henricus Hamblen similiter.
Johannes Hamblen .	vlii.	
Francis Hamblen .	vlii.	
Francis Hamblen, pro se .	xlii.	} quod ipse Franciscus simi- liter, etc.
Johannes Hamblen .	vlii.	
Henricus Hamblen .	vlii.	
Willelmus Hamblen, pro se [xlii.]		} quod ipse predictus Willelmus.
Henricus Hamblen .	v[lii.]	
Francis Hamblen .	vlii.	

Wensdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis \*.

At this daye Nicholas Westwood and Thomas Ley beinge convented to aunswere the payment of vlii., they were bound to repaye about an apprentice, they compounded within themselves, and Nicholas Westwood promised either to take an apprentice as Mr. Maiour shall apoynt him and secure the repayment of the money or ells to paye in the vlii. fourthwith.

John Butler, one of the sureties of Richard Westwood for repayment of vlii. about his apprentice Hulbert, was required to paye 50s. for his part; pleaded povertie, whiche plea not accepted; was required to paye at his perill.

William Sampson, ap- prentice to Timothie Banister . . .	} all accused and were all convented and accused for abusinge Christofer Graye, by throwinge turneps at him and hurtinge him therewith, as apeared by prooffe, were all im- prisoned and censored to be whipt for their combynacion to doe him hurt.
William Gabb, apprentice to Richard Levis .	
William Parr, apprentice to Timothie Banister	

[p. 415.] Die Sabbati, 4<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis, *egrotus*.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. William Page, the schoolmaster, complaind that yesterdaye John Milsoppe, junior (without any cause geven), threatened to kill Mr. Page, and that he would see his hart-bloud; and came to the Schoole-dore with a little pike-staffe in his handes, usinge wordes to that effect. But uppon the hearinge of the matter and John Milsopp's penitent submission, acknowledgeinge his fault and weakenes at that tyme, humbly submitted himself and Mr. Page of his owne goodwill entreated for Milsop's libertye.

And at the same tyme complaynt was made and informacion geven that divers idle boyes, viz<sup>t</sup>. Charles Nethercott, Robert Milsoppe and Francis Hobbes, with some others, did abuse and laugh at the schollers corrected for their neglect in the Schoole by their Master, and knoweing that some of the Free Schoole schollers did play treuant and their fellowe-schollers being sent to finde them, the said Nethercott, Milsopp and Hobbes combynd themselves to defend the treuantes and threatened the schollers to beate or misuse them, if, &c.

It was ordered the said offendours should be whipt in the Towne Hall with rodde per bedell, &c.

6<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso,  
*Majore.*

Sessio Pacis proxima, etc.

Margareta Andrewes, spinster, super sacramentum suum queritur versus Agnetem Coleman, uxorem Johannis Coleman, de etc., pro pace, etc.

Johannes Coleman cognovit se debere . . . . . xx*li*.

Johannes Knottes, laborer . . . . . x*li*.

Robertus Feild, laborer . . . . . x*li*.

quod ipsa Agneta compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc, etc. et quod interim teneat pacem Domini, etc. et precipue versus predictam Margaretam Andrewes, etc.

Memorandum, predicta Margareta <sup>10</sup>	} ad comparendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod.
Andrewes cognovit se debere, etc. x <i>li</i> .	
William Pryer, William West, manucep' separatim sub pena v <i>li</i> .	

<sup>10</sup> Margerata, MS.

[p. 416.] Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

At this daye John Blagrove, one of the sonnes of Oliver Blagrove, brought certificate of his age of 26 yeares, under the handes of the Vicar and Churchwardens of Soninge, and demaunded his legacie of 50*li.*, and it was then thought fitt to paye it to him.

At this daye consideracion was had for the interteynment of the Judges at th'Assizes to be holden in Readinge upon Shrove-Tuesdaye next, viz<sup>t</sup>. 21<sup>o</sup> instantis Februarii.

The Judges to be lodged at Mr. Thomas Turnour's, as formerly they were, he havinge satisfaccion of his damadges, prout, etc.

The Clarkes of th'Assizes at Mr. Bateman's and Mr. Chamberlyn's.

The Judges' horses at Christofer Kenton's house.

The Clarke of th'Assizes horses at Henry Birde's.

Towardses the Judges' enterteynement, as heretofore,

3 barrells and a haulf of beer.

3 haulfe-gallons of sacke.

2 gallons of clarett.

1 mutton.

1 veale.

And to the 2 Stewardes, xs. a peice.

Private lodgeinges, viz<sup>t</sup>., at Mr. Curtis', at Mr. Burren's, at Mr. Stampe's, at Widowe Nashe's, at Widowe Wickyns'.

\* Agreed that Frauncis Thackham, one of the Serjeantes, shall collect the goodwill of the Inholders, Brewers, Taverners, and other Victuallers towardses the provision of ij quarters of Oates for the Judges' and Clarke of th'Assizes horses, and provide the Oates. His bill of colleccion is uppon the file.

[p. 417.] 15<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636, Wensdaye.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.

\* *The following is crossed through here:—Memorandum, the Inholders to be requested to provide 2 quarters of Oates.*

Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Arther Curtis\*.

At this daye William Kenton and his wief were questioned for their negligence or confederacie to suffer Mistris Johnson, that had abused the parishes in Reading to have colleccions uppon false lettres, &c., to escape and goe awaye from her lodgeinge in their house, contrarye to the trust and charge reposed in them, &c.; Mr. Thomas Bunburye and William Wilmer, junior, witnesses. Forbidden to keepe ale-house, and to sell beere any longer: and agreed their Signe to be taken or beaten downe.

[p. 418.] Tuesdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1636, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc, xij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Frauncis Knollis, Sir Edward Clerke.

At this daye the Inholders and Victuallers were convented to put in sureties for the observinge of Lent and Fish-dayes, accordinge to his Majestie's proclamacion.

Minster Ward.		Ricardus Underwood, pro	
Henricus Eyres	. xli.	se, in	. xli.
Johannes Burren	. xli.	Robertus Legg, in	. vli.
pro Paine Cantrell		Ricardus Reynoldes, in	. vli.
Edwardus Androwes,		Robertus Legg, pro se, in	. xli.
pro se, in	. xli.	Ricardus Underwood, in	. vli.
Ricardus Walker, in	. vli.	Ricardus Reynoldes, in	. vli.
Johannes Backhowse, in	. vli.	Willelmus Bagley, pro se, in	. xli.
Ricardus Walker, pro		Thomas Lee, in	. vli.
se, in	. xli.	Johannes Daye, in	. vli.
Edwardus Androwes, in	. vli.	Thomas Lee, pro se, in	. xli.
Johannes Backhowse, in	. vli.	Willelmus Bagley, in	. vli.
Johannes Backhowse,		Johannes Daye, in	. vli.
pro se, in	. xli.	Johannes Daye, pro se, in	. xli.
Edwardus Androwes, in	. vli.	Willelmus Bagley, in	. vli.
Ricardus Walker, in	. vli.	Thomas Lee, in	. vli.

\* Marked as absent.



William Kinge, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	[p. 419.] Jone Hall, vidua, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
William Evered, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Nicholas Middleton, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	William Cooper, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Evered, pro se, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	Nicholas Middleton, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
William Kinge, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	William Cooper, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Jone Hall, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Mathew Bond, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>	Widgmore Quick, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
William Kinge, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Francis Browne, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Evered, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Izack Yorke, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Fellow, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Francis Browne, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Tidder, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Widgmore Quick, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Evered, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Izack Yorke, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Tidder, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Izack Yorke, pro se, in . . <i>xli.</i>
William Fellow, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Widgmore Quick, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symmons, in <i>vli.</i>	Francis Browne, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symmons, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Hatton, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
Izack Treeherne, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Atkins, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Tidder, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Henry Cater, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Izack Treeherne, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Atkins, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Henry Cater, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Tidder, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Hatton, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Coxhead, in <i>xli.</i>	Henry Cater, pro se, in . . <i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Atkins, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
pro Georgio Dewell	Thomas Hatton, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
William Cooper, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	William Wright . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholas Middleton . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Woddard . . . <i>xli.</i>
Henricus Hall, vidua, in <i>vli.</i>	pro Johanne Humferie
	William Wright, butcher, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
	Johannes Woddard, in . . <i>xli.</i>



Johannes Woodward, butcher, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Gatley .	<i>xli.</i>
William Wright, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Robert Creed .	<i>vli.</i>
		Jerome Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>
Henry Creede, butcher, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Jerome Pococke .	<i>xli.</i>
William Wright, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Robert Creed .	<i>vli.</i>
		Johannes Gatley .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas West, butcher, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Nicholas [?] Hayes .	<i>xli.</i>
William Haines, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skynner .	<i>xli.</i>
William Grover, in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Jo. Clifford	
		. . . . Rowse <sup>9</sup> , pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
William Haines, butcher, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Jerome Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas West, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Gatley .	<i>vli.</i>
William Grover, in .	<i>vli.</i>		
		Michael Hamblyn, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
William Grover, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Edward Creed .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas West, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Hamblen .	<i>vli.</i>
William Haines, in .	<i>vli.</i>		
		Et e contra.	
Phillip Shiler, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble <sup>9</sup> , pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
Richard Shiler, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Coxed [xli. ?]	
Thomas Skynner .	[ <i>vli.</i> ]	pro Nicholao Cooplyn <sup>9</sup> .	<i>xli.</i>
		Radulphus Coxed .	<i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Holmes, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble .	<i>vli.</i>
William Marshall .	<i>vli.</i>		
Johannes Tucker .	<i>vli.</i>	[ p. 420. ] Willelmus	
		Wickyns, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Towne, pro se	<i>xli.</i>	Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus White .	<i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Wilmer .	<i>vli.</i>		
		Willelmus Turnour, pro se.	<i>xli.</i>
Robert Creed, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>	Richard Cranedge [xli. ?]	
Johannes Gatley .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Cranedge .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Turnour .	<i>xli.</i>

<sup>9</sup> '6' against these names.

Willelmus Turnour .	<i>xli.</i>	Joanna Lymboll, vidua .	<i>xli.</i>
Reynold Cranidge .	<i>xli.</i>	Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Nathaniell Black-		Ralph Coxed .	<i>vli.</i>
noll, victualler			
		Bennett Baylye, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
Reynold Cranidge .	<i>xli.</i>	John Pinnocke .	<i>vli.</i>
Richard Cranidge .	<i>vli.</i>	Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
William Turnor .	<i>vli.</i>		
		John Pinnocke, victualler .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Skinner .	<i>xli.</i>	Bennett Baylie .	<i>vli.</i>
Thomas Spicer .	<i>xli.</i>	Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Joanna Noble,			
vidua, victualler		Thomas Spencer, victualler,	
		pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
William Venge, victu-		Johannes Noble .	<i>vli.</i>
aller .	<i>xli.</i>	Daniell Browne .	<i>vli.</i>
Reynold Crannidge .	<i>vli.</i>		
Francis Thackham .	<i>vli.</i>	Henry Dawson, bucher, pro	
		se .	<i>xli.</i>

[p. 421.] 2<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*, et Johanne Saunders, armigero.

Anne Taylour, the midwief	} all present at the birth of the bastard child, borne on the bodye of Jone Grey, spinster, and uppon their oathes doe saye. [Remainder of page blank.]
Margaret Edwardes, widowe	
Joan Nicholls .	
Phebee Rowe .	

[p. 422.] Quarter-daye, Friday, 3<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Sir Francis Knollis, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Arthur Curtis, *egrotus*.

\* Marked as absent.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

Richard Burren\*, John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour\*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye Robert Westmerland required the money he was by the Justices apoynted to take of the Maiour, due to be paid on<sup>11</sup> arrere for cariage of 12 loades of Shiptimber for His Majestie's use, from Shotover to Bircott, was refer'd till next Sessions.

And at this daye Robert Westmerland made request to have some allowaunce for his worke done at Portman-Brooke bridge, over and above his bargayne of 17*li.*, for the buildinge of the bridge. And it was refer'd to the judgement of ij other workmen to be chosen indifferently to viewe and judge the validitie of the worke, and if they shall judge it more worth then he to have allowaunce, &c. and if otherwise then he to make restitution, &c.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the garden plott, nere the Vasternes, was granted to Sir Frauncis Knollis, th'elder, for xxj yeares, at 5*s.* rent, payeing all arrerages from, &c. untill, &c. exceptinge, &c. Vide le file.

Lease, to Thomas Froome, of the house and garden in the Old streete, at this day was graunted for 99 yeares, to depend uppon 3 lives, whereof John Wigge's daughter to be one, and ij of her children the others, at 40*s.* rent, 5*li.* fine, and herriot upon every death, prout in auter leases.

At this daye Sir Edward Clerke and Mr. Saunders promised to geve 40*s.* a peice towards the raylinge of Portman-Brooke bridge, soe that it be done by the Cofferers by Midsomer next.

At this daye Ellys Boules, tanner, compounded for his fredome and promised to paye the fine iiij*li.*, at or before Midsomer next, and the fees to officers.

At this daye Lawrence Coxhead, blacksmyth, compounded for his freedome and promised to paye the fine of xxx*s.* within xiiij dayes, and all the fees due to officers.

\* Marked as absent.

" or, MS.

[p. 423]. Tuesdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye Mr. Richard Burren was chosen a Capitall Burgesse, and did then and there take oath to doe the office accordinglye.

At this daye alsoe the Kinge's Majestie's proclamacion concerninge the prizinge of wines was openly read to the Vinteners then present, and then they were willed to observe the proclamacion.

At this daye alsoe the lettres and orders directed to Mr. Maiour and Corporacion, concerning Maulsters and Brewers of this Towne were openly read, and apoynted to be read agayne, and all warned to be advised thereuppon, on Fridaye come senight.

Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye it was informed to Mr. Maiour that Henry Alright yesterdaye was<sup>1</sup> stab'd with a knife and grevously wounded by a woman or a man, whiche are travellers and straungers: per both the Constables and George Shefford, of Soninge.

Jerome Pococke, junior, osteler }  
Swithen Asten, of Bagshott } testes.

Memorandum, quod predictus Swithin Austen cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. ad dandum evidenciam ad proximas Assizas.

Lewse Frewyn, testis.

Jacob Jacobson of St. Mary, Apchurch Lane, nere London, stone-merchant, a dyamond cutter, (denyeth all,) arrested and examyned.

Mary Usher, the wief of Richard Usher, of Barnesbye streete in St. Marye Mawdlyn's parishe, a plushe-weaver, convented and charged, denyeth the fact. See the file.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>1</sup> At the Crowne, *crossed through here*.

xj<sup>o</sup> Martii.

Memorandum, quod predictus Jacob Jacobson cog-	} quod com-
novit se debere domino Regi centum libras .	
Thomas Pasmer, de Old Winsor, et	
Francis Thackham, de, etc. manucep' separatim sub	
pena xlii. per se . . . . .	} pareat ad
	} proximas
	} Assisas.
[Signed] Jacob Jacobson, Thomas Passmare,	
Frauncis Thackham.	

[p. 424 <sup>2</sup>.] xj Martii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Sir Edward Clerke, John Sanders, Esq.

James Retcham complaineth and hath taken oath that he is afraid that Edward Ware will beate or kill him, for he hath threatened soe to doe. Juratus.

<sup>3</sup> Ad Sessionem Pacis.

Memorandum, Edward Ware cognovit	} quod ipse compareat ad
se debere domino Regi xli. .	
Lawrentius Creed et Bennet Bailey	
manucep' pro ipso sub pena vli.	
per se . . . . .	} proximam Sessionem
	} Pacis ad responden-
	} dum, et quod.
Ad Sessionem Pacis.	Vac'. Non cognoverunt.

22<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod Henricus	} quod ipse compareat ad proxi-
Dawson pro se xxli. .	
Willelmus Vindge, de, etc. et	
Willelmus Porter, junior,	
manuc' pro ipso sub pena	} mam Sessionem Pacis ad re-
xli. per se . . . . .	
	} spondendum ad omnia que, etc.
	} et quod interim se bene geret
	} erga dominum Regem et
	} cunctum populum, etc.
Vide le file.	

<sup>2</sup> Pinned to this page:—Seth Smyth and Robert Cordrey, 19<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1627, et 3<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, a deed of uses made of 2 acres of arrable land in Waltham.

<sup>3</sup> These Latin entries are crossed through in the MS.

Elizabeth Hudson, spinster, complaineth that one John Perrye, of Readinge, a tobacco-pipe maker hath begotten her with childe, for he had carnall knowledge of her bodye about Michaellmas last, and divers tymes sithence, and the first tyme in Huly's house.

John Perrie denyeth the fact and all the circumstances.

Memorandum, quod predictus Johannes Perrye	} quod ipse . . .
cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli.</i>	
Ferdinando Huly's, de Reading, weaver, et Ric-	
cardus Elton, de Readyng predicta, wever,	
manucep' pro predicto Johanne separatim	
sub pena <i>xli.</i> per se . . . . .	} compareat ad
	} proximam
	} Sessionem
	} Pacis tenen-
	} dam . . . etc.

[p. 425.] Tuesdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636, ac xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Woldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye the lettres and orders directed to Mr. Mayour and the Corporacion, concerning the Malsters and Brewers in this Towne, were agayne read, and agreed that they shall all be warned to apeare on Fridaye next by 8 of the clocke in the morninge, to heare the lettres and orders read.

22<sup>o</sup> Martii. Memorandum, this daye senight for William Bagley and his sonne-in-lawe, for the *vli.* and boye.

Fridaye, xvij<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren\*.

Robert Dye, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, George Woldridge, Richard Jaye, Edward Hamblen.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye the lettres and orders before mencioned, concerninge Malsters and Brewers, were openly read to the Brewers and Malsters, and daye geven to them to aunswere every man per se, uppon this daye senight : and to warne them agayne to come at that daye.

At this daye it was agreed that James Winche shall have the 5 clothes in Mr. Lewell's [?] handes to sell. And Mr. Anthony Brackston promised if James Winche doe not pay 40*li*. or more for those 5 clothes at or before May-daye next, then Mr. Brackston will pay it for him.

Memorandum, that yesterdaye Richard Curtis promised to paye 14*li*. for James Winche to this Company at or before Maye-daye next : teste W. W[ilmer].

[p. 426.] Fridaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636, et xij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, [Esq.]

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jenyns\*, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye the common Malsters and common Brewers, according to their former injunction, made their appearaunce, heard the former lettres and orders openly read, and every one of them made aunswere for and by himself, to this effect, viz<sup>t</sup>. [*sic*]

27<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637. [Ad] Assizas proximas.

<sup>4</sup> Memorandum, Thomas Wattes, of Sherfeild, super Lodden, in com. Southampton, yeoman, cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. ad dandum evidenciam ad proximas Assizas in Berkes versus Radulphum Boles.

Edward Poole et

Henry Morris.

Non prosecutus.

\* Marked as absent.  
through.

<sup>4</sup> *Vacat* written against this, and the entry crossed



Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, John Saunders, Esq.

At this daye and tyme Peter Thorne, one of the Constables, brought in Ralphe Boldes [*sic*] and Henrye Morris, apprehended by vertue of the Lord Cheiffe Justeis' warrant for fordgeinge and counterfeiting ij severall bondes of apparance, accordinge to the writtes unto the Sheriffe of Southampton. Required to finde good baile against Wensdaye morninge for their apparance at the next Assizes or ells to the Gaole.

Raphe Bouldes confessed he was soe farr fourth faultye about those bondes Mr. Knight charged him with fordgeinge, &c. with teares prayed them not to examyne him any further for he was ashamed and could not answere for himself.

Henry Morris said he did nothing but what he was hired.

8<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, for lacke of good sureties sent to Gaole.

Sessio Pacis proxima. 1<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637.

Timothie Banister juratur versus Thomam Dewell, quia menacit [?]. Certif.

Memorandum, quod Thomas Dewell	} quod ipse compareat	
cognovit se debere domino Regi 40 <i>li</i> .		ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. ad
Humfredus Dewell, generosus, et Ferdinando Clerke manucep' separatim		respondendum et
x <i>li</i> . . . . .		quod interim teneat pacem, etc.

[Signed] Tho. Dewell, Humphery Dewell,  
Ferdinando Clarke.

[p. 427.] Friday, 31<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, generosus, *Maiour*. Mr. John Saunders, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren\*.

Robert Dye, John Jeninges, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldredge, Edward Baker.

Mr. Richard Hewyns [?], brewer and merchant in Exeter. Mr. Henry Gandye of Exeter, brewer, or Mr. Gandye of Salisburie, the

\* Marked as absent.

scholler, to be bound for William Gandye in the roome and place of Mr. Edward Bostocke.

Richard Eawyns, de parochia Sancte Marie Steps, in civitate Exon, brewer.

Henricus Gandye, de parochia Sancti Pauli, in civitate predicta, brewer, to be bound with William Gandye. A counter bond to both.

[p. 428.] Wednesdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jenynges \*, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin.

At this daye eleccion of the 3 poore Maid-servantes, to cast lottes for the 20 nobles upon Goodfriday next, was made for each parishe one, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Lawrence parishe.

3. Avis Hawkyns, servant to William Grenewaye.

In St. Marie's parishe.

Marye Filmore, servant to Mr. Richard Filmer at Battle Farme.

In St. Giles' parishe.

Evenice Willett, servant to Mr. Clerke, the Minister.

Memorandum, this is the 1st yeare sithence the last 5th yeare for the Southcott Maid.

At this daye informacion was geven that the bargayne of wood sould to Mr. William Jacob to be felled at Burfeild for xij*li*, beinge uppon the land whiche was purchased for charitable uses, was undervalued and that it is more worth. It was agreed it shalbe reviewed and what it shalbe found more wourth shalbe paid for the use of the poore, and the poore to have the benefitt of the over-value.

Agreed that the ij Constables shall view and value it, but shall not have it at their valuacion, but the buyers whiche have paid for

\* Marked as absent.

the wood xij*li*. shall have it, payeing the overplus it shalbe valued at, or ells to have their money agayne, and their charges.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Dewell shall pay 3*li*. for the use of the 100*li*. whiche he caused to be taken in for this last haulfe yeare.

And agreed he shall paye in the 116*li*., for parte of James Winche his cloth, at or before Midsomer next, and geve bond for it. And that he shall paye in the xx*li*. had of James Winche for his rent and increase-money due at Ladye-daye, 1636, fourthwith. Solut'.

[p. 429.] Good Fridaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jenynges \*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

The 3 poore Maid-servantes elected to cast the lottes this daye for the xx nobles.

3. For St. Lawrence parishe ; Avis Hawkyns.
1. For St. Marye parishe ; Marye Filmore.
1. For St. Giles' parishe ; Evenice Willette.

Memorandum, this is the first yeare from the 5th for Southcott.

Memorandum, this daye Tobye Marten, in the behalfe of Joseph Blagrove, paid the x*li*. due this daye, accordinge to the last will and testament of Mr. John Blagrove late deceased, in a newe purse of leather, and it was this daye distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Mary Filmore, that had the lott .	vj <i>li</i> .	xiijs.
To the Church Wardens of St. Lawrence .		xxs.
To the Church Wardens of St. Marie .		xxs.
To the Church Wardens of St. Giles' .		vjs.
To the Preacher that daye .		xs.
To the Junior Church Warden .		iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Clarke and Sexton 3 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . a-peice.		

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye alsoe the *iiij*l. of Mr. William Brackston's guift by direccions of his will was distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>,

To 60 poore weomen of St. Marie's parishe	xxx.	
To the same 60 poore weomen whiche had		
Mr. B. in St. Lawrence, groates a-peice	. xxx.	
To 60 poore weomen in St. Giles' parishe	. xxx.	
And to xx poore men, xij <sup>d</sup> . a-peice	. . xxx.	
7 in St. Marie's parishe	} at Mr. Maiour's apoyntment.	
7 in St. Lawrence parishe		
6 in St. Giles' parishe		

At this daye alsoe *iiij*l. of Widowe Worsley's guift was distributed to lx poore widowes.

In St. Giles' parishe, 25.

In St. Lawrence parishe, 25.

In St. Marye parishe, 10<sup>s</sup>.

At this daye alsoe *iiij*l. of Mr. William Legge's guift was distributed to xxiiij poore housholders after 3s. 4<sup>d</sup>. a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>. to

8 in St. Marye parishe.

8 in St. Lawrence parishe.

8 in St. Giles' parishe.

Memorandum, the bills of the names are promised to be put on the file.

[p. 430.] 8<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637. Ad proximas Assisas.

Memorandum, quod Walterus Knight cognovit se debere domino Regi *xx*l., quod ipse prosequatur ad proximas Assisas et daret evidenciam versus Radulphum Bouldes et Henricum Morris secundum formam statuti.

Memorandum, quod Humfridus Milles cognovit se debere domino Regi *xx*l., versus Rad. Bowldes. Solut'.

Memorandum, quod Ricardus Seelye cognovit se debere domino Regi *xx*l., versus Boles. Solut'.

Certified at th' Assizes.

Ad Assisas.

<sup>s</sup> In MS. '25,' a mistake for 10.

17 Aprilis, 1637. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod Antonius Wright,	}	quod Maria Usher, uxor
civis et habberdasher, London,		Ricardi Usher, de
cognovit se debere domino Regi		London, etc., compa-
xl <i>i</i> . et		reat ad proximas
Seth Bull, civis et skynner, London,		Assisas in Berkes ad,
cognovit se debere domino Regi		etc. con' Henricum
xl <i>i</i> . . . . .		Alright.

Certified.

[p. 431.] Tuesday, 11th April, 1637. The Lawe-daye holden.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

The names of the Jurye.

Symon Dye, jur. primus.

Thomas Symes	} Affir- ers, jurati.	William Plomridge	} jurati.
John Harrison		John Baker	
William Mathewe		James Arnold	
William Belchamber	William Cades		
William Taylour	William Hall		
Robert Wheler	Bartholmewe Lake		
George Wylder	John Filpe		
Hughe Smyth	William White		

30 Augusti, 1637.

Reddere veredictum.

[p. 432.] 14<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren.

[No business recorded for this day.]

20 Aprilis, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye it was agreed that James Winche shalbe warned to geve newe securitie for the remaynder of the money in his handes in Whitson weeke next.

And that a taxe amongst the landholders within this Boroughe shall fourthwith be made to paye the viij*li*. xijs. to Robert Westmerland, whiche was laid uppon Readinge, for cariage of xij loades of Shiptimber for his Majestie's use, from Stowe Wood and Shottover to Bircott, imposed at a Sessions 2 yeares past.

24<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637.

Then I receaved of James Winche 20*li*., in parte of the 50*li*. whiche Mr. Richard Smyth stood bound to paye for him, and Richard Curtys oweth 14*li*., to be paid the next weeke, and the rest James Winche promiseth to pay the next weeke after, and 12*d*. for waight of goold to[o] light : per W. W[ilmer].

[p. 433.] Tuesdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

Wensdaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

William Jacobb, Thomas Thackham, Peter Burninhgam, Richard Jayes, George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Turnour.

At this daye it was agreed that the viij*li*. xijs. to be paid for cariage of Shiptimber from Shotover and Stowe Wood to Bircott shalbe levied uppon the . . . . of the farmes and landes within the Boroughe, whiche have not yet paid thereto.

At this daye the former bargayne of wood and tymber was agayne in question ; and agreed that Mr. Jacob shall pay iiij*li*. more in money and take the ij trees and hold the bargayne.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye the 25*li*. due at Ladye-daye last of Mr. John Kendricke's guift was receaved and by Mr. Mayour paid to the Overseers for the poore of eache parishe as his will directeth :

To St. Marie parishe	. viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .	} to relieve the poore there, &c.
To St. Lawrence parishe	. viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .	
To St. Giles' parishe	. viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .	

27<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1637. At this daye Mr. Maiour, in the sight and presence of six men of the Jurye sworne for the Lawe-daye, did size and seale divers bushells, peckes, gallons, yarges, ells and measures, &c.

Willyam Oades.

[p. 434.] Thursdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1637. Coram Georgio Thorne, *Majore*.

Willelmus Jones did take oath that he is in feare that Luke Jenever will beate, wound, kill or doe him some bodily harme, desireth to have securitye he may goe in peace.

William Wright, William Vindge, testes.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam.

Memorandum, Luke Jenever cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim teneat pacem, etc. et precipue versus Willelmum Jones.
Georgius Bailey, senior, et Sabeth Letche de, etc. manucep' pro ipso separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> .	

Pro pace.

Eodem die. Complaint was made that one Margaret Moulser, spinster, servant to Henry Frewyn, junior, was this last night delivered of a male childe, and that she chargeth John Wylder, apprentice to the said Henry Frewyn, to be the reputed father of the said childe, and noe man but he. Denyeth.

Ad Sessionem Pacis.

Memorandum, quod predictus Johannes Wylder cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
Willelmus Wylder, senior, pro se, manucepit sub pena x <i>li</i> . et Willelmus Wilder, junior, pro se, sub pena x <i>li</i> .	



[p. 435.] Fridaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the ratement upon the farmes and land-holders within the Boroughe of viij<sup>li</sup>. xijs., imposed uppon them for cariag of xij loades of Shiptimber for his Majestie's use, from Shotover and Stowood to Bircott wharffe, was rated, &c.

Tuesdaye, the 9th of Maye, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the Clothiers were warned to appeare about William Horne's complaynt: and so many as appeared agreed to have their clothes sealed, &c. as he desired, &c.

Vide le file pro le . . .

Fridaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye it was agreed by the said *Maiour*, with old Frewyn and his wief, that she shall presentlye goe into the house of Henry Merrifeild and be aidinge and helpinge to the said Merrifeild and his wief, during the tyme of their visitacion, and therein to doe her best endeavour. And that duringe all the tyme of their visitacion she shall have dyett with them, and six weekes after their visitacion ended. And old Frewin to have ijs. a week duringe all that tyme paid him, and ijs. in hand. And she shall have ijs. a weeke kept for her and paid her in th'end of the sixe weekes after . . .

[p. 436.] Tuesdaye, 16 Maii, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye it was agreed that for the reasonable relief and mayntenaunce of the people infected with the plague, or beinge in houses infected, and for charges of searchers, watchmen, keepers and buryers of those people within this Boroughe, a taxe of one monethe's payment of th'inhabitanes and landholders within the Boroughe shalbe fourthwith raised, &c.

24<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Richard Burren \*.

[No business recorded for this day. Page 437 is blank.]

[p. 438.] Fridaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1636. Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*.

Lawrence Coxed, a blacksmith, usinge his trade of a smyth and farryer within this Boroughe as a forreyner, at this daye compounded for his freedome to use his trade as a freman, and paid for his libertie xxs.	} admissus fuit in libertatem: solvit xxs.

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[p. 439.] vj<sup>to</sup> Aprilis, 1636. Coram Johanne Dewell, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Mr. William Jerman, a forryner, usinge the trade of a berebrewer within this Corporacion, compounded for his libertie to use his trade brewinge	} admissus fuit in libertatem Burgi: solvit xli.

George Alright, clothmaker, late apprentice to Mr. George Thorne 8 yeres per indenture; probatum	} admissus fuit in libertatem, etc.: [solvit] iijs. iiijd.

Thomas Winkcles, baker, late apprentice to Robert Creed, baker, [blank] yeares per indenture; probatum	} admissus fuit in libertatem Burgi: [solvit] iijs. iiijd.

\* Marked as absent.

Thomas Eyres, glover, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
John Evans, senior, glover, 7 yeares per in- } libertatem Burgi :  
denture ; probatum . . . . } [solvit] iijs. iiij*d*.

Mathewe Lewington, clothier, late appren- } admissus fuit in  
tice to James Winche, clothier, 7 yeares per } libertatem, etc. :  
indenture ; probatum . . . . } [solvit] iijs. iiij*d*.

Walter Emerton, taylour, late apprentice } admissus fuit in  
to Thomas Hamblen, taylour, 7 yeres per } libertatem, etc. :  
indenture ; probatum . . . . } [solvit] iijs. iiij*d*.

Thomas Coles, baker, late apprentice to his } admissus fuit in  
father, John Coles, 7 yeares, iijs. iiij*d*. } libertatem, etc. :  
solvit 5*s*. 10*d*.

Walter Spott, weaver . . . . iijs. iiij*d*.

Henry Lavold, weaver.

George Coles, weaver.

Thomas Ward, clothworker.

Lawrence Tovey, shomaker.

Frauncis Johnson, taylour, late apprentice to Lawrence Creed,  
taylour, 8 yeares per indenture.

Edward Strowde, malster, made compo- } admissus fuit in  
sicion for his freedome of malt-makinge in the } libertatem: solvit  
Corporacion . . . . } 30*s*. . . .

William Bishoppe, a forreynour, havinge } admissus in liberta-  
married the widowe of Robert Wickyns, tallow- } tem : solvit iiij*li*.  
chandler, made composicion for his freedome of }  
this Corporacion, paid 3*li*. and was . . . . }

[p. 440.] Coram Roberto Bent, *Majore*, 1634.

John Richardes late apprentice to John } admissus fuit in  
Jenins, mercer, 8 yeares per indenture ; pro- } libertatem :  
batum . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

William Mortymer, woollendraper, late ap- } admissus fuit in  
prentice to William Streche, woollendraper, } libertatem :  
ix yeares per indenture ; probatum per Magis- } 3*s*. 4*d*.  
trum in persona . . . . }

Licentiatur habitare extra libertatem ad  
voluntatem suam, reddere annuatim ad festum } xij*d*.  
Michaelis . . . . . }

Wigmore Quicke, baker, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
Thomas Towne 7 yeares per indenture ; pro- } libertatem :  
batum . . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

May Smith, turnour, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
William Hitche, turner, x yeares per indenture ; } libertatem :  
probatum . . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

John Harrison, glover, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
John Evens, th'elder, glover, 7 yeares per } libertatem :  
indenture ; probatum, etc. . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

Richard Hunt, clothier, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
Robert Jones, clothier, 7 yeres per indenture ; } libertatem :  
probatum . . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

Julyan King, mercer, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
Humfrey Milles, mercer, 8 yeres per in- } libertatem Burgi:  
denture . . . . . } 3*s*. 4*d*.

[p. 441.] 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Valentine Esdale, broadweaver, late appren- } admissus fuit in  
tice to Joseph Jones, broadweaver, 7 yeares by } libertatem, etc.  
indenture ; probatum . . . . . }

Dies datur ad solvendum vjs. x*d*. usque ad festum Omnium  
Sanctorum.

Thomas Stanton, servant to Mr. Saunders }  
divers yeares, was allowed to use the trade of } admissus : x*xs*.  
a baker, by composicion, within the Boroughe. }  
4*os*. . . . . }

Richard Browne, sonne of Francis Browne, } admissus est in  
late apprentice to John Parre of Readinge, } libertatem, etc. :  
broadweaver, 8 yeares per indenture ; pro- } iijs. iiij*d*. paid.  
batum per Johannem Parr . . . . . }

William Woolfe, sonne of Mathew Woolf, } admissus fuit in  
clerke, late apprentice to Richard Winche, } libertatem, etc. :  
7 years per indenture ; probatum . . . . . } iijs. iiij*d*. paid.

Richard Emmarton, weaver, late apprentice to Richard Emmarton, his father, 9 yeares a workman and 4 yeares a boye . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem, etc. : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

Ephraim Cur, mercer, late apprentice to Mr. Roger Knight, th'elder, mercer, 7 yeres per indenture ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

Thomas Wylder, iremonger, late apprentice to William Jacobb, iremonger, 8 yeares per indenture ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

Gealfrye Richbell, mercer, late apprentice to Thomas Thackham, mercer, 9 yeares per indenture ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

Edward Evans, glover, late apprentice to John Evans, th'elder, deceased, 7 yeares per indenture ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

John Curtis, glover, late apprentice to John Evens, th'elder, glover, 7 yeares by indenture ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij<sup>d</sup>. paid.

Sol' Cofferar'.

[p. 442.] September the fowrteenth, 1657.

Then this Booke was shewed to Edward Wilmer at the time of his examinacion and confirmed as appeares by his deposicion to the Third Interrogatory betweene Willyam Moore, plaintiff, and the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses, defendantes, on the part of the defendantes ; alsoe this Booke was then shewed to James Hall and answered unto as appeares by his deposicion to the said Third Interrogatory.

[Signed] William Strowde, Ric. Potenger, Charles Pearce.

[p. 443.] 1634. Coram Roberto Maulthus, generoso, *Majore*.

Richard Browne, clothier, late apprentice to John Parre, clothier.  
[See *supra* and *infra* : remainder of page blank.]

[p. 444.] 1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*.

Richard Westwood, clothworker, late apprentice to Nicholas Westwood, 9 yeares ; probatum . . . } admissus fuit in libertatem : xs. wherof . . .

George Hancocke, clothworker, sonne of }  
 John Hancocke, late apprentice to Thomas } admissus fuit in  
 Symes, clothier, 8 yeares per indenture ; pro- } libertatem : 3s. 4d.  
 batum . . . . .

Edward Browne, baker, late apprentice to }  
 Abraham Paise, baker, xj yeares per indenture ; } admissus fuit in  
 probatum . . . . . } libertatem :  
 3s. 4d.

George Wylder, tanner, late apprentice to }  
 Edward Baker, tanner, 7 yeares per indenture ; } admissus fuit in  
 probatum . . . . . } libertatem :  
 3s. 4d.

Walter Spott, broadweaver, late apprentice }  
 to Henry Walker, broadweaver, x yeares per } dies datur usque  
 indenture ; probatum . . . . . } 6 menses.

Richard Yeowin, taylor, late apprentice to }  
 Timothie Banister, taylour, 8 yeares per in- } admissus fuit in  
 denture ; probatum . . . . . } libertatem :  
 3s. 4d.

Richard Allom, taylour, late apprentice to }  
 Francis Plommer, taylour, 8 yeres per in- } admissus fuit in  
 denture ; probatum . . . . . } libertatem :  
 3s. 4d.

John Filpe, clothier, late apprentice to }  
 William Densill, clothier, 7 yeares per in- } admissus in liber-  
 denture ; probatum . . . . . } tatem.

George Moore, clothier, late apprentice to }  
 George Thorne, clothier, 13 yeares per in- } admissus fuit in  
 denture, and x yeares journeyman ; probatum } libertatem.

Henry Clayton, clothier, late apprentice to }  
 his father, John Clayton, brodeweaver, 8 yeares ; } admissus fuit in  
 probatum, etc. . . . . } libertatem :  
 3s. 4d.

Richard Browne, clothier, late apprentice to }  
 John Parre, clothier . . . . . } dies datur.

Salamon Barnard, junior, fishmonger, late }  
 apprentice to his father Salomon Barnard, } admissus fuit in  
 senior, fishmonger, 8 yeares . . . . . } libertatem : iijs.  
 iiijd.

John White, grocer, late apprentice to }  
 William White, grocer, 8 yeares per in- } admissus fuit in  
 denture . . . . . } libertatem Burgi :  
 iijs. iiijd.

[p. 445.] 1632. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Thomas Hide, clothier, late apprentice to William Densill, clothier, viij yeares per indenture; probatum per indenture; probatum per Willelmum Densill, magistrum suum .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem, etc. : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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William Woades, clothier, late apprentice to Joseph East, clothier, seven yeares by indenture; deservatum, probatum, etc. .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> . sol' Coffe <sup>r</sup> .
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Robert Watlington, clothier, late apprentice to David Terrell, clothworker, 9 yeares per indenture; probatum . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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Nathaniell Chandler, clothier, late apprentice to Thomas Chandler, clothworker, 8 yeares per indenture; probatum, etc. . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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John Butt, broadweaver, late apprentice to [Tho. ?] Evans, broadweaver, for 7 yeares per indenture; probatum et allocatum . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> . paid Sergeantes.
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1633. Coram Willelmo Kendricke, *Majore*.

Edward Hawkyens, shoemaker, late apprentice to Thomas Edwyn, shoemaker, 8 yeares per indenture; probatum per Annam Edwyn, viduam . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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Richard Bagley, sonne of William Bagley, late apprentice to Frauncis Hamblen, butcher, 7 yeares per indenture; probatum per predictum Franciscum Hamblen, coram Majore et Burgensibus in plena Aula . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem : iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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Edward Staunton, shoemaker, late apprentice to Thomas Richardes, shoemaker, 7 yeares per indenture . . . . .	}	<sup>6</sup> . . . 3s. 4 <sup>d</sup> .
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Richard Stev[ens, late apprentice to] . . . . his father . . . .  
admissus per . . . .; dies datur pro xs. : solvit.

<sup>6</sup> The MS. is mutilated here, and the lower half-leaf gone.



Ferdinando . . . . [late apprentice to] . . . . Jenyns, me[rcer ?]  
 3*s.* 4*d.*  
 John Whi[te] . . . . [late apprentice to] William Whit[e] . . . .  
 3*s.* 4*d.*  
 John Fell . . . . [late apprentice] to Walter . . . . per indenture  
 3*s.* 4*d.*  
 Richard All . . . . [late apprentice to] . . . . Plommer . . . .  
 promised . . . .

[p. 446.] 1632. Mr. John Newman, *Mayour*.

William Salter, apprentice to Thomas Astill, } admissus fuit in li-  
 shoemaker, 7 yeres per indenture ; probatum } bertatem : 3*s.* 4*d.*

24<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1632.

William Blackman, a taylor, per compositionem, admissus  
 fuit in libertatem : solvit 20*s.*

Humfrey Hewse, a baker, per compositionem, admissus fuit  
 in libertatem, etc. : solvit 3*l.*

Thomas Wilder, a matmaker, per com- } admissus fuit in li-  
 positionem, to make mattes and beehive- } bertatem : solvit  
 maker . . . . . } 10*s.*

Mr. Thomas Gibbyns, maulster, per com- } admissus fuit in li-  
 positionem, to make mault . . . . } bertatem : solvit  
 10*s.*

George Thorne, clothier, late apprentice to }  
 his father George Thorne eight yeres ; pro- } admissus : 3*s.* 4*d.*  
 batum . . . . . }

Thomas Griffen, apotecary, late apprentice } admissus fuit in  
 to Christofer Blower, apotecary, x yeres per } libertatem :  
 indenture ; probatum . . . . . } 3*s.* 4*d.*

William Bisley, mercer, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
 William Jacob, mercer, 8 yeres per indenture ; } libertatem :  
 deservatum et probatum . . . . . } 3*s.* 4*d.*

Joell Stevens, grocer, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
 John Milles, grocer, 9 yeres per indenture ; } libertatem :  
 probatum . . . . . } 3*s.* 4*d.*

Richard Ewyn, taylour, late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
 Timothie Banister, taylour, 8 yeares . . . . } libertatem: . . . .

John Grip, joyner, late apprentice to his [fat]her John . . . .

[The endings of the next five entries are:—apprentice to . . . .  
 yerres per . . . . admissus fuit in libertatem.]

[p. 447.] Angl: 'Whereas Willyam Turnour, one of the Constables of Readinge, hath made oath before me, That he, with his partener, were by the Mayour of the said Towne chardged to keepe a good watche for suppressinge of mutanies or risinge of the poore, if occasion were, about takinge awaye of corne; and that in Marche last, in the night tyme, certen poore did attempt to take awaye corne, whiche the said Constable with his watche did pacifye, and immediatlie thereuppon they hearinge a great noise in the Markett-place where they found, amongst many others, one Thomas Bagley, whome with the rest they intreated to repayre to their howses. But the said Bagley used many mockinge speches towardes the said Constables, whereuppon they imprisoned the said Bagley about two howres till the companye were dispersed, and then lett him out, and that, sithence the said mutanye comitted, the said Thomas Bagley hath often tymes scoffed and derided him the said William Turnour, beinge Constable, soe that he cannott passe the streetes quietly but the said Bagley doth mocke and flout at him. These are therefore in his Majestie's name straightly to chardge and comand you and every of you fourthwith uppon receipt hereof to apprehend the said Thomas Bagley and hi[m to] bringe before me or some other of his Majesties J[ustices] of the Peace to be examined touchinge th . . . . and to find good sureties for his good [behaviour . . . . and] appearaunce at the next Assises to be [holden in the] County of Berkes there to be further . . . . proceeded withall as to justice . . . . faile you not at your perills . . . . London, the xjth of Maye anno . . . .

To all Mayours, Sheriffes, Baylieff[es and] Constables, and to all other his Majestie's Officers and Ministers to whome it shall or maye apperteyne.

[p. 448.] 22 Septembris, 1631. Coram Thoma Turnour, *Majore*.

Samuell Bushell, joyner, late apprentice to Richard Cane, joyner, ix yeres per in- denture . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem: iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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Christofer Whittell, flexdresser, late ap- prentice with Abraham Watleton, flexdresser, xij yeares per indenture; probatum . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem.
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John Coles, baker, late apprentice to his father John Coles, baker, [ <i>blank</i> ] yeares; pro- batum . . . . .	}	
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Frauncis Smith, baker, late apprentice to Steven Webster, baker, 7 yeares per indenture; probatum . . . . .	}	
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Edward Browne, baker, late apprentice to Abraham Paise, baker, xj yeares per indenture; probatum . . . . .	}	
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Henry Pike, barber, late apprentice to Richard Hussey, barber, ix yeares per inden- ture; probatum . . . . .	}	admissus fuit in libertatem: iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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John Avelyn, cutler, late apprentice to Christofer Goad, cutler, xij yeres per indenture; probatum . . . . .	}	[paid serg]eantes 5s.
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[p. 449.<sup>7</sup>]

[1629-30 ?] Mr. Walter Bate[man, *Mayour*.]

George Hone, shoemaker, [late apprentice to] Richard Smyth, shoemaker, 7 [yeres] . . . . , of whiche 7 yeres he served . . . . . 6 yeres, and one yeare with . . . . . shoemaker, proved by Richard [Smith, his master ?] . . . . .	}	iijs. iiij <sup>d</sup> .
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<sup>7</sup> There is only a fragment of this leaf, and bits of the next two.

Nathaniell Gerrard, c[lothier, late appren-  
tice] to David Elkes, clothier, . . . ., [yeres by] } 27s.  
indenture ; probatum . . . . . }

Frauncis Buckridge, [clothier, late appren-  
tice to] Henry Bird, clothwor[ker], . . . . } iijs. iiijd.  
for 7 yeres ; probatum . . . . . }

1630. Mr. T[homas Turnour, *Mayour* ?]

John Pa . . . . . [late apprentice to] }  
Robert P . . . . . } iijs. iiijd.  
for 7 ye[ares] . . . . . }

p. 450. [1630.] Coram [M]r. Nicholas Gunter, *Mayor*.

. . . . . <sup>8</sup> late apprentice to } admissus fuit in  
. . . . . , shoomaker, 7 yeres } libertatem Burgi,  
. . . . . } etc.

[pp. 451—454.] Angl: scilicet . . . . .

[A few words appear on the first bit, the second probably formed part of a blank leaf. Book 'No. 3,' then begins.]

[p. 1.] <sup>9</sup> Tuesday, the 27th of June, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin\*.

At this daye John Baldyn, the cooper, beinge a forreynour and usinge trade of a cowper within the Boroughe was required to pay *vli.* forfeited, &c., and warned to be gone by St. James' daye next.

<sup>8</sup> The remaining five entries end in a similar way, no name nor payment appearing.

<sup>9</sup> A bit of the preceding leaf remains, '. . . June, 163[7]. Mr. [Ge]or[ge Thorne], Mr. Thom[as Turnour], Mr. Christo[fer Turnour], &c.] . . . . \* Marked as absent.

At this daye the continued payment to the Lecturer was in question but not resolved uppon, &c.

Wensdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Frauncis Knollis, senior, Sir Frauncis Knollis, jun., Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye some speaches were had about the raisinge of 8*li*. 12*s*. to paye to Robert Westmerland, assigned to him by the Justices, for that whiche the inhabitantes and land-holders within Readinge are behinde for carridge of 12 loades of tymber from Shottover and Stowood to Bircott for his Majestie's use: not agreed.

Assizes. It beinge informed the Assizes shalbe holden here Mondaye the xth daye of July next, it was agreed that, towardes the enterteynement of the Judges, it shalbe in all thinges as it was at the last Assizes in February last past, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Lodgeinges. The Judges at Mr. Thomas Turnour's.

The Clarkes of th'Assizes at Mr. Thomas Bateman's and Mr. Chamberlyn's.

The Judges' horses at Mr. Christofer Kenton's.

The Clarkes' of th'Assizes horses at Henry Byrde's.

Other private lodgings at Mr. Burren's . . . .

Towardes the Judges' enterteynment.

3 barrells and a haulf of beere.

3 haulf-gallons of sacke.

2 gallons of claret wine.

1 mutton.

1 veale.

and xs. a-peice to the Stewardes, &c.

Oates two quarters. Frauncis Thackham to collect money of the Inholders, Brewers and Victuallers, and to provide the oates.

[p. 2.] Wenesdaye, 19 Julii, 1637, ac xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer

\* Marked as absent.

Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye lettres to the Lord Archbishoppe in aunswere of Mistris Birde's Complaint were made by Sir Edward Clerke.

Nicholas Hayes, a Tapster	.	.	} strangers in this libertie all to appeare this day senight.
John Bucher, husbandman, of Woodcott hill [?]	.	.	
was to be sent to him fourthwith .	.	.	
Richard Myles, husbandman, to give securitye	.	.	

Nicholas Snellinge, a stranger at Walter Densill's, promised to be gone at Bartlemas next.

Memorandum, a stranger at Mr. Blackman's.

Another in London streete, [blank] Cooke.

Wensdaye, 26 Julii, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jenynges, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldredge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, Willyam Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

Whereas Elizabeth, the wief of one Edward Hudson, formerly complayned before the said Mayour, that one John Perrey, a tobacco-pipe maker, livinge in Readinge, had begotten her with childe, about Michaellmas last, whereuppon securitye for his appearaunce was had, &c.

And whereas it is nowe informed that the said Elizabeth is delivered of a bastard childe the last night, in the parishe of St. Giles within the Boroughe, affirminge that the said John Perrey is the father of the said childe and noe other man.

Elizabeth Marquicke, midwief, yester-	.	.	} <i>jurate</i> , every one of them affirming that the said John Per- rey, a tobacco-pipe maker, is father of the childe she is in travell with, and none but he.
daye, 2 a'clocke afternoone .	.	.	
Cicely Malyns	.	.	
Anne Moore	.	.	
Amye Streeke	.	.	
Agnes Rowse	.	.	
Elizabeth Streeke	.	.	
Emlyn Mafforlyn	.	.	
Marye Mayre	.	.	.



Memorandum, an order to be made fourthwith, and bond to performe it.

[p. 3.] 29<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1637. Coram Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Majore*.

<sup>1</sup>Jeremye Sherefeild hath taken oath that he is in feare that Edward Marshall will beate, wound or doe him other hurte. Licen'.

Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Antony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren\*.

At this daye it was thought fitt the Woeman keeper and Merifeilde's wenche in the Pest-house, it beinge above vj weekes past since any one dyed there, should be at libertie and goe hence to her husbände's house, she havinge done her best endeavour to ayre and clense all the beddes and beddinge and other thinges in both the houses.

And agreed that accordinge to promise for her mayntenance vj weekes after the ceassinge of the sicknes, she keepinge the wenche with her, they shalbe paid 3s. a weeke for and towards their mayntenance duringe the vj weekes.

At this daye Ferdinando Hulyns, takinge a poore boy (Edward Light) to be apprentice 8 yeares, agreed he shall have *vii*. of th'apprentice money lent him uppon the securitye of John Bennett and Nicholas Lamphier.

It was this daye thought fitt, the better to prevent the begginge of poore Butler in the House of Correccion, to allowe him by the weeke :

In St. Marye parishe *ij*d., if 3d. be paid him out of a house, otherwise *iiij*d. a weeke.

In St. Giles' parishe *ij*d.

In St. Lawrence parishe *iiij*d.

Fridaye, *iiij*<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1637. *Scssio sive Curia Clerici Mercati hospitii domini Regis infra virgam, coram Carolo Walker, generoso, deputato.*

\* This entry is crossed through in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.



Mr. Georgio Thorne, generoso, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent.

Nomina Juratorum.

Symon Dye, primus jur'.

Richard Horsingdon	} jurati.	William Hall	} jurati.
John Harrison		John Baker	
William Mathewe		Thomas Wilder	
James Arnold		Thomas Richardes	
William Taylour		William White	
George Taylour		John Filpe	
Francis Terroll		Valentyne Skeate	
William Plomridge		Barthelmew Lake	

[p. 4.] Tuesdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1637, et 13<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. John Saunders, Esq., Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

William Jacob, Thomas Thackham, Thomas Harrison, George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

Memorandum, Gealfrey 'Richbell to contribute towardes the repaire of the ruynes of St. Pawle's church.

Readinge charter is pleaded in Michaelis [termino], 4<sup>o</sup> Eliz., rotulo 4.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam. 23 Augusti, 1637.

Memorandum, quod Galfridus Richbell cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem

\* Marked as absent.

Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim bene geret, etc.

[Signed] Jeffry Richbell.

Thomas Skynner, Henry Tubb, testes.

[p. 5.] Fridaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>. Eleccion-daye.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jenynges, Robert Dye \*, William Jacob, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin.

At this daye the said Maiour and Capitall Burgesses by direccions of their Chartre did nomynate and appointe 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in eleccion to th'intent and purpose that one of those 3 by the said Maiour and residue of the said Burgesses shalbe elected Maiour for the next yeare as by their Charter is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. Anthony Brackston IIIIIIIIIII [11], Maiour elect.
2. Mr. Richard Burren.
3. Mr. Christofer Turnour.

Wensdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Antonye Brackston \*, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Andrewe Byrd brought in and redelivered the two bookes formerly belonging to the Schoole, and both then delivered

\* Marked as absent.

to Mr. William Page, the Schoolemaster, to be chayned and lockt in, and to the Schoole as before they were, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Mr. Cowper's Dictionarye	} of the guift of Mr. Gabriel Barbour,
and [ <i>sic</i> ]	

[p. 6.] Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Anthony Brackston, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. Richard Burren \*.

At this daye the Constables made accompt of 2 severall taxes collected for relief of the visited people in Readinge,

whiche in the wholle did come to .	.	.	} [ <i>blank.</i> ]
whereof they paid about relief of the visited and	.	.	
others attendinge that service	.	.	

Memorandum, the taxes upon the file.

1<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637. Coram Georgio Thorne, *Majore*.

At this daye Widowe Stockwell and Frauncis Thackham for vjd. a-peice exchanged promises to paye vii. if he or she did not stand to the award whiche Mr. Jacobb and William Wilmer should sett downe betwixt them of all matters, &c. betwixt this day and a moneth after Michaellmas next.

Mr. William Jacobbe presente.

Tuesday, the sixth of September, 1637.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Mr. Anthony Brackstone, elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. Richard Burren.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Jennings \*, Robert Dye \*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin \*.

\* Marked as absent.

Received of Frauncis Thackham in parte of the amerciamentes for the Law-dayes .	} xvj <i>li</i> .	vs.
Received more of him in parte of the amerciamentes for the Clarke of the Markett extracted, &c. .	} xiiij <i>li</i> .	vijs. ix <i>d</i> .
Totall received	xxx <i>li</i> .	<u>xijs. ix<i>d</i>.</u>
Whereof was paid to Mr. Charles Walker, the deputye Clarke of the markett, and to his servantes . . .	}	ls.
Item, paid the ij Aletasters . . .		xxs.
Item, geven Thomas Barnes for his paynes		vs.
Item, paid the 3 Hogherdes . . .		xs.
Item, geven Bartholmewe Lake for his paynes all the yeare . . .	}	xvs.
Item, geven Christofer Grey in parte of a recompence for his labour . . .	}	vs.
Item, paid Mr. Fortescue for the amer- ciament-role . . .		vs.
Item, paid Frauncis Thackham for col- lectinge the premisses . . .	} iij <i>li</i> .	
Item, allowed him for expences, &c. .		xxvj <i>s</i> .
Item, paid William Wilmer for ij bookes of the orders in the Court of Starr- Chamber, concerninge poore tenauntes for direccions to the like for this Cor- poracion and some other . . .	}	vs.
Some paid . . .	x <i>li</i> .	xijs. [ <i>sic</i> ]
Rest to the Cofferer . . .	xx <i>li</i> .	ix <i>d</i> .

\* Memorandum, Mr. Thomas Harrison hath not paid, 3*li*.

[p. 9.] Mondaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clarke, Sceneschall, John Saunders, Esq.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, *absent*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren.

\* This line crossed through in the MS.

Richard Payne exhibited his petition for a lease of his house, now parcell of Mr. William Kendricke's landes at 50s. a yeare, whiche was not denyed him ; but he was willed to consider of the ba . . . . and to take both together at another tyme.

At this daye lettres from the Lordes of the Counsell to Mr. Maiour directed, for the apearance of himself or a sufficient man auctorised and instructed to geve accomptes at the Counsell Board of th'employment of Mr. Kendricke's guift, on Sundaye the 2 of October next. Mr. Christofer Turnour is apointed the man.

At this daye John Tucker, taylour, being a forreyner, compounded for his freedome and paid xxs., and fees. Solvit xxs.

John Pidgeon, cutler, likewise compounded for his fredome, and paid for his freedome. Solvit xs.

At this daye 100*li*., parcell of Sir Thomas White's guift, due at Michaellmas next, to be lent agayne for other x yeres, was disposed to iiij<sup>or</sup> other poore Clothiers as his will directeth. Vide lez file.

[p. 8.] 27<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637.

Mr. George Thorne, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Antony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye th'accomptes of the employment of Mr. John Kendricke's . . . stocke were made and subscribed by all the said Capitall Burgesses, and delivered into the handes of Mr. Christofer Turnour, apointed to attend the Lordes of the Counsell uppon Sundaye next, at the Counsell Boord, as by their lettres is required.

A lettre to the Lord Archbishoppe concerninge the premisses was alsoe then addrest, &c.

29<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1637. Coram Georgio Thorne, *Majore*.

Th'accomptes of the fines and amercementes of the Law-dayes and estreates of the Clarke of the Markett of the Kinges Majestie's houshold, within the vierge, this yeare were had and taken this daye and yeare, &c.

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At this daye a petition was penn'd by Sir Edward Clerke to the Justices at Quarter Sessions, sheweinge that for xvij yeares past the Towne hath paid viijs. rent for housinge a parcell of gunpowder for the Countye. And in another roometh housed matche, mattockes, shoulves and other thinges for the Countye, wourth then xiijs. iiij*d*. per annum, and nowe worth xxs. per annum without any consideration, intreatinge their consideracion thereof, and to favour them therein. Sent by Henry Tubb.

[p. 10.] Wensdaye, iiij<sup>to</sup> Octobris, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Seneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the Law-daye was holden for this Boroughe.

Peter Thorne	}	late Constables.
William Wilmer		
Ferdinando Clerke	}	gardiani Alte garde.
Gealfrey Richebell		
Willyam Elkyns	}	late wardens, Minster garde.
George Curtis		
William Bishopp	}	late wardens, London garde.
Phillipp Hill		
Henry Tubbe and	}	nuper gardiani pro Nova garda.
Robert Gibbyns		
John Tucker and	}	nuper gardiani pro Veteri garda.
Christofer Alnutt		
William Horne and	}	Searchers and Overseers of the true makinge of Woollen clothes, &c. Sworne and bound in 40 <i>li</i> . a-peice.
Joseph East		
William Sedburge...	}	Seallers of Lether.
Henry Osborne		
Hughe Grantham		
William Wright	}	Searchers for Fleshe, jurati.
Roger Symondes		
Richard Walker	}	Fishtasters.
[ <i>blank</i> ]		

\* Marked as absent.

William Price	}	Aletasters.
William Griffyn		
Christofer Grey	}	Haywardes and clensers of the Streetes . . . ,
John Jerome		
		jurati.

## Nomina Juratorum.

Edward Baker, primus.

Richard George *	}	jurati.	Henry Frewyn	}	jurati.
Arther Liford *			John Johnson		
Abram Watlington *			Peter Horne		
William Shottocke			Thomas Cope		
William Winckes			Obadia Osgood		
William Goodale			John Myles		
William Smyth			Robert Staples		
Thomas Ayres			Bartholmewe Lake		

Promised to be freed of that service, duringe 7 yeares next.

Tuesday after Midlent Sundaye.

[p. 11.] Tuesdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Antonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye at the request of Mr. Hughe Dicus, Rectour of St. Giles' Church, and Mr. Thomas Bunburye, Rectour of the Churche of St. Marye in Reading, the chest was opened and the lettres and order from the late Lord Chauncelour Egerton, concerninge the keepinge certen lettres patent, and other deedes of their severall personages were openly read unto them, and lockt in boxe and chest agayne.

At this daye the quietus for the fee-farme paid in Mr. Dewell's yeare was delivered to the charge of Mr. George Thorne, &c.

At this daye John Norman paid in 30s. of money in parte of payment of 5*li*. promisinge the rest at Candlemas next. Put in boxe in le Closett.

And at this daye the said quietus and the quietus for the yeare Mr. Thorne was *Maiour* were both brought in and lockt upp.

\* Affirers.



xxiiij<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 12.] 31<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1637. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*.

Jone Lettes, the wife of William Lettes, complayneth that she feareth that Abigall, the wief of Nicholas Ashmore, will kill her or doe her other bodily harme, that she feareth to goe in the streetes and to the Church, &c. Craveth securitye of the peace.

The said Jone Lettes hath taken her corporall oath.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proxima-	} quod Abigall, uxor predicti Nicholai, compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis et quod interim tenet pacem versus, etc. et precipue versus Jonam Lettes.
mam . . . . .	
Nicholas Ashmore . . . . . xxli.	
Bartholmewe Lake . . . . . xli.	
Richard Smyth, cordwayner . . . . . xli.	} B. L., Richard Smyth.

Wensdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Nihil factum.

Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, uppon Wensdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637, being not then set downe, M. John Jenyns made it knowne that before that tyme when he was Cofferer, by the apoyntment of Sir Francis Knollis, senior, he received of Mr. Robert Bent, for a barrell of gunpowder . . . . . 4*li*. 10*s*. 0

And of Richard George for a barrell of gunpowder, both had out of the magazine for the Countye . . . . . 4      10      00  
9      00      00

And by like direccions at this daye in the sight and presence of the said Maiour and Magistrates, he paid to Mr. Maiour the said some of £9 0 0 for him to be accomptable to the Deputy-Lieutenautes when it shalbe required.

Witnesse the Companye present.

per W. W[ilmer].

[p. 13.] Tuesdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637, ac 13<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye warrant from the Deputy Lieutenantes of this Countye for collectinge and levyeing of iiij*li*. within this Boroughe to be paid the xvijth daye of this moneth towards the supplye of the Magazine of this Countye with gunpowder, matche and other furniture uppon viewe decayed, &c.

Agreed this iiij*li*. shalbe taxed to morrowe at the Towne Hall and fourthwith collected.

Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren<sup>2</sup>.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>2</sup> All present, except Mr. Dewell, on 14 Nov.

Tuesdays, 14<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

At this daye Lionell Jackson, a teacher to daunce, &c. was convented to shewe cause of the beinge and staye of him and his wief in this Towne, had little to saye, but that he did teache divers gentlemen's children in the cuntrye, and promised within fortnight to be gone, or ells put in very good security for discharge of the Towne. Mr. Thurrell, or &c.

Tuesdays, 21<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren\*.

At this daye the xxv*li*. of Mr. John Kendricke's gift, due at Michaellmas last, was by Mr. Maiour paid by direccions of Mr. Kendricke's last will to the Overseers of the poore of eache parishe there for the tyme beinge, by them to be bestowed and distributed to and among the poore people of the said Towne for ever, the moietye thereof every haulf yeare, in suche somes and to suche persons as they shall thinke meete, accordinge to the necessitie and desert of the same severall persons, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Edward Brackston and John Elkyns, overseers in St. Mary parishe . . . . .	} viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
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To William White, Christofer Goad, and Joell Stevens, overseers in St. Lawrence parishe . . . . .	} viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
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To Robert Terroll and William Turnour, overseers in St. Giles' parishe . . . . .	} viij <i>li</i> . vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
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At this daye the prices of Ale and Beere were assessed by Mr. Maiour, the Clarke of the Markett, as followeth.

The barrell of the best beer . . . . .	vjs.
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The kilderkyn . . . . .	iijs.
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&c. after that rate.

The barrell of small bere . . . . .	iijs.
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The kilderkyn . . . . .	ijs.
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&c.

The dussen of ale . . . . .	iiij <i>d</i> .
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A full quart of the best . . . . .	j <i>d</i> .
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Two quartes of the small . . . . .	j <i>d</i> .
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\* Marked as absent.

[p. 14.] xxj<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*.

Welthian Lewes, spinster, late servant to John Clifford, at the Cardinall Hatt, in Readinge, almost a quarter of a yeare last past, then come into Town, complayneth that she is begotten with childe by William Burren, servant and osteler in the said Cardinall Hatt, and that in the Midle chamber, within a fortnight after she came thither to dwell, and that he promised to marry her.

The said William Burren uppon his examinacion confesseth he had carnall knowledge of her bodye and will marry her, &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Memorandum, [quod] pre-	} quod ipse com- pareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc.
dictus Willelmus Burren cognovit se debere	
domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Willelmus Potter, de, etc. et Phillipp Pearcey	
de, etc. manucep' separatim pro ipso sub	
pena x <i>li</i> . per se, etc.	

xxij<sup>o</sup> die Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent.

At this daye the said *Maiour* and Burgesses taking into their consideracion the ruyns and great decaye of one old tenement, parcell of their Hall landes, scituate at the Fryers Corner, nowe in the tenure of one Edward Terrant at 3*li*. per annum, and to prevent a great charge that will lye uppon the Hall to repaire or newe-build the same, have promised Robert Westmerland, he buildinge and repayinge the same, at his owne chardges, at the next Quarter daye, he shall have a lease of the same tenement for 99 yeares to depend uppon 3 lives, at 40*s*. rent per annum, and to paye his first haulf yeares rent at Michaellmas next, &c.

Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Cofferers.

At this daye the Hall accomptes for the yeare Mr. George Thorne was Maiour were made and geven by Robert Dye, the senior Cofferer, whoe was charged with

Rentes certain (deductinge some arrerages in that yere)	.	.	.	.	.	li.	s.	d.
Olde quitrentes	.	.	.	.	.	288	00	7
Casuall receiptes	.	.	.	.	.	000	13	0
Encrochmentes	.	.	.	.	.	049	01	8
						000	10	10
						288	00	7
Ordinary paymentes	.	.	.	.	.	157	01	8
Extraordinarye paymentes	.	.	.	.	.	092	16	11
Rest in th'Accomptant's handes for the next						038	02	0

[p. 15.] Wensdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the copie of the informacion exhibited by his Majestie's Attorney-Generall against the Maiour and Burgesses was openly read, and refer'd to their o[wn] Counsell, &c.

Memorandum, to prevent the licence for killing of fleshe the next Lent.

Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Robert Westmerland exhibited his bill of xj*li.* xvs. jd. ob., for worke and stuffe used and done about the reparacions of the House of Correccion in this yeare 1637. And he did agree to accept of his payment thereof quarterlye, as the allowaunce from the Cuntrye did arise quarterly, untill he should be paid the full, &c. ; the bill is uppon the file for that busynes.

\* Marked as absent.

Wensdaye, 20 Decembris, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye it was agreed that the *iiij/l.* of Mr. Edward Kemishe's guift to *xxiiij* poore housholders of this Towne, *3s. 4d.* a-peice, shalbe distributed by Mr. Maiour and the Magistrates.

To 8 in St. Marye parishe.

To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe.

To 8 in St. Giles' parishe.

3 shirtes or smockes in St. Marye parishe .	} Mr. Pococke's.
3 shirtes or smockes in St. Lawrence parishe .	
4 shirtes or smockes in St. Giles' parishe .	

Mr. Edward Hamblen's guift of *iiij/l.* to *x* poore men, *8s.* a-peice, whereof two poore butchers.

3 in St. Marie parishe.

4 in St. Lawrence parishe, because the 2 buchers are there named by Mr. Lytle (?).

3 in St. Giles' parishe.

And *xxiiij.s.* to Mistris Swaddon's poore kindred in Readinge as the Cofferer's bill directeth.

[p. 16.] Quarter-daye, Friday, the *xxijth* daie of December, 1637, and 13<sup>o</sup> Caroli.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

#### Secondary Burgesses.

John Saunders, Esq.\*, Mr. John Jennings, Robert Dee\*, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamlin\*.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Arther Liforde's petition for the abatinge of his rent for the tolle was taken into consideracion, and agreed that henceforwardes he shall paye but xxs. a weeke for the tolle, untill it shall appeare to this Companye that the Markettes are amended.

Lease. At this daye a lease of the house nowe Fryers' Corner, late in Edward Terrante's holdinge, and in great ruine and decaye, was graunted to Robert Westmerland for 99 yeres (if, &c. or any of them live soe longe,) at xls. rent per annum and herriott, prout in auter leases.

Lease. To Elizabeth Brackston, widowe, of her shoppe in the newe Shambles, to holde for xxj yeares, yeldinge xls. rent, was then alsoe graunted, &c.

Leases. To William Brackston of his house at Old Yeld-Hall, and of the stable, stone-house and garden there, late in Mr. Robert Malthus his holdinge, were graunted for 99 yeares (if Antony, William and Elizabeth, his 3 children, or any of them live) at the former rentes, and condicions, and for *vli.* fine, it being but a change of the lives, &c.

At this daye Mistris Stevens complayned that William Elkyngs and his sonnes did sell and weighe muche wooll in their houses and did not paye her for the weighinge there-of, as hath byn accustomed. William Elkyngs, junior, and Robert James appeared and had daye to aunswere before the terme.

Mr. Thomas Harrison at this daye refused to accept of the leases at the last quarter-daye graunted to him, in regard the rentes were increased to muche uppon John Alarder's tenement and brewhouse.

xls. At this daye Edward Poole, a forreynour, by trade a sherman, having married the Widowe Lane, she havinge charge of children, requested to be made a freeman of this Corporacion, and it was graunted, he payeing the accustomed fine, xls.

At this daye Humfrey Milles and 3 or 4 other Mercers made complaint against Thomas Wylder, an ironmonger, for usinge the trade of a Mercer, whiche his Master used not, &c. about whiche there was some talke, but not determyned and refer'd till neere the next terme.

[p. 17.] Fridaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1637, ac xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. John Saunders, *egrotus*.



Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, *absent*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Memorandum, at this daye *vii.* was promised to Daniel Wyer with oon apprentice, Phillip Burton, in Maye next.

John Jenynges*, <i>mi-</i>	<i>s. d.</i>	George Wooldridge	<i>s. d.</i>
<i>sericordia</i>	. 3 4	Richard Jeyes	
Robert Dye*, <i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4	Edward Baker*, <i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4
William Jacobb*, <i>mi'a</i>	3 4	William Turnour	
Thomas Harrison*,		William Brackston*,	
<i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4	<i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4
Peter Burningham		Edward Hamblen*,	
Thomas Thackham*,		<i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4
<i>mi'a</i>	. 3 4		

*viiij<sup>o</sup>* die Januarii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maior*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Att this daye Andrew Pawlinge, a messenger, did showe his warrant from the Lord Cottington, prout patet per lez coppie sur file.

The differences betweene William Lettes and his wife of the one parte and Nicholas Ashmore and his wife of the other parte, by mediacion of Mr. Mayor and Sir Edward, were composed and ended in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>. all suites to cease and Nicholas Ashmore to paye ijs. and within 3 weekes next to paye suche costes susteyned in prosecution, the excommunication, and the damadges susteyned aboute William Lottes his wive's gowne, as Mr. Maiour and Sir Edward Clerke shall agree to be paid by Nicholas Ashmore.

[p. 18.] Tuesdaye, Januarii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr.

\* Marked as absent.

Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge.

At this daye the composicion money by warrant 4*li*. 7*s*. was rated.

Chest opened to have the seale for the aunswere to the Bill put in against the Maiour and Burgesses.

15<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1637. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*.

Marye Millard, spinster, complayneth that Richard Hollowaye, servant to Thomas Cole, hath made love to her in waye of mariage ij yeares past, and she saith he hath had carnall knowledge of her bodye, and feareth she is with childe by him, 1[st] the Fridaye night before St. Andrewes daye last, the ij tyme uppon Tuesdaye was senight, 9<sup>o</sup> January last, in her father's house.

Richard Hollowaye saith he is not faultye in the premisses whereof he is accused, and will not marye her.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Ricardus Hollowaye	} quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis.
cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Thomas Maye, de Tilehurst, husbandman, et	
Thomas Cole, de Reading, baker, manuc' separatim x <i>li</i> .	

Memorandum, xxiiij<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1637.

Then I deliverd to Mr. Walter Knight the coppies of the Bill and Answer put in Court of Exchequour by the Kinge's Attorney against Mr. Maior and the Burgesses, concerninge Mr. John Kendrickes legacie, and the coppie of the warrant under the Lord Cottington's hand for an accompt of casuall receiptes of the Kinge's Majestie's proffittes not accompted for. And the date of the Chartre for him to attend Sir Edward Clerke at the tyme apointed by the warrant to be answered with a coppie of some instruccions concerninge that busynes.

W. W[ilmer].

[p. 19.] 30 Januarii, 1637, et 13<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr.

Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Richard Tatsoll, a shereman, was apoynted to the place of a journeyman, that Richard Tue had in the workhouse of Mr. Kendricke's foundation, per omnes.

7<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren \*.

Memorandum, Tuesdays next to end th'accomptes of the former Shipmoney, and to sell the distresses, &c.

Memorandum, Mondays next to bynd the Inholders, Victlers and Butchers for Lent.

29<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*.

Th'accomptes of the fines and amerciamentes of the Lawe-dayes and th'extractes of the Clarke of the Markett this yeare were taken, &c.

Received of Frauncis Thackham for the amercia-	}	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
mentes of the Law-dayes . . . . .				
Received of him for the amerciamentes of the	}	19	11	0
Clarke of the Markett, &c. . . . .				
		15	16	3
		<hr/>		
		Totalis	35	07 3

Whereof was paid to Mr. Charles Walker, Deputy-	}	2	10	0
Clarke of the Markett, and to his servantes				
in this yeare . . . . .				
Item paid the ij Aletasters . . . . .		1	00	0
Item paid for a dynner for the Clarke of the Markett,				
&c. . . . .		2	1	10
Item geven Thomas Barnes for his paynes . . . . .		0	5	0
Item geven the 3 hogheardes . . . . .		0	10	0
Item geven Bartholmewe Lake for his paynes . . . . .		0	15	0

\* Marked as absent.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Item paid Mr. Fortescue for the amerciament-rolle .	0	5	0
Item paid Frauncis Thackham for his colleccion [of]			
the a[merciamen]tes . . . . .	3	10	0
Item geven him for his paynes and expences in } collecting, &c. . . . . }	1	00	0
Item geven Parson Browne for his paynes . . . . .	0	2	0
Item geven Christofer Grey for his labour . . . . .	0	5	0
Rest to the Cofferer 23 <i>li.</i> 3 <i>s.</i> 2 <i>d.</i>	12	03	10

[p. 20.] Mondaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Frauncis Knollis, senior, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the Inholders, Vitlers, Buchers, Taverners and Cookes were bound for the observaunce of Lent, accordinge to the Kinge's Majestie's lawes and proclamacion.

At this daye a lease of the garden plott under the Forberye-wall, formerly graunted to Sir Frauncis Knollis for 99 yeres, to depend uppon 3 lives of the Knollis therein named, was sealed and subscribed by the Magistrates presente, and the counterparte put in chest.

High Ward.	Reginald Cranedge, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Porter, pro se,	Ricardus Parsons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
in . . . . .	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Vindge, in .	Ricardus Parsons, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Wright, in .	Reginald Cranedge, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Wright, pro	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
se . . . . .	Jacobus Berrey, pro se .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Vindge, in .	Reginald Cranedge, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Porter, in .	Ricardus Parsons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Vindge, pro	Edwardus Creed, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
se . . . . .	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Porter, in .	et Ricardus Parsons in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Wright, in .		

\* Marked as absent.

Joan Hall, vidua, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Dey, pro se, in . . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Bagley, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas Skynner, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Fellowes, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	[p. 21.] Minster Ward.
Nicholaus Midleton . . <i>vli.</i>	Henricus Eyres, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Fellowes, in . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Backhouse, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Everard, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Walker, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Nicholaus Midleton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Backhouse, in . . <i>xli.</i>
Matheus <sup>4</sup> Band, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Henricus Eyres, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Nicholaus Midleton, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Walker, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Everard, in . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Walker, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
Matheus <sup>4</sup> Band, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Backhouse, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Fellowes, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Henricus Eyres, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas Hatton, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Pinnocke, pro se . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholaus Midleton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Purdey, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Matheas Band, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Underwood, in . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Everard, in . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Purdey, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
Nicholas Midleton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Underwood, in . <i>vli.</i>
Henrie Cater, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Pinnocke, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Nicholaus Midleton, in . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Underwood, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Matheus <sup>4</sup> Band, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Purdey, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Bagley, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Pinnocke, in . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Fellowes, in . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Wilder . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Dey, in . . <i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Underwood, in . <i>xli.</i>
	pro Alicia Taylour, vidua
	Francis Thackham, in . . <i>xli.</i>
	Radulphus Coxed, in . . <i>xli.</i>
	pro Johanne Clifford

<sup>4</sup> Matheas, MS.

Johannes Burren, in . <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Wooddier, butcher,
Abraham Rowse, in . <i>xli.</i>	pro se, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
pro Paine Cantrell	Willelmus Turnour, in . <i>vli.</i>
	Thomas West, in . <i>vli.</i>
High Ward.	
Willelmus Kinge, pro se,	Thomas West, butcher, pro
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	se, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Henricus Eyres, in . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Turnour, in . <i>vli.</i>
Humphridus Hewes, in . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Wooddier, in . <i>vli.</i>
Humphridus Hewes, pro	Henricus Hamlin, butcher,
se, in . . . <i>xli.</i>	pro se, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Kinge, in . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spenser, in . <i>vli.</i>
Henricus Eyres, in . <i>vli.</i>	Jacobus Hamlin, in . <i>vli.</i>
Henricus Creed, pro se,	Jacobus Hamlin, butcher,
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	pro se, in . . . <i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham, in . <i>vli.</i>	Henricus Hamlin, in . <i>vli.</i>
Henricus Netherclift, in <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spenser, in . <i>vli.</i>
Ricardus Channell, in . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Spenser, butcher . <i>xli.</i>
Francis Thackham . <i>xli.</i>	Henricus Hamlin, in . <i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed, in . <i>xli.</i>	Jacobus Hamlin . . . <i>vli.</i>
pro Georgio Dewell,	
inholder	[p. 22.] London Ward.
	Wigmore Quicke, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Tither, pro se,	Isaack Yorke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Humphries, in <i>vli.</i>	
Henricus Netherclift, in <i>vli.</i>	Isaak Yorke, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
	Wigmore Quicke, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Fraunciscus Thackham,	Thomas Streete, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
in . . . <i>xli.</i>	
Thomas Skinner, in . <i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Cox, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
pro Johanne Milsopp	Thomas Baker, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
	Thomas Skynner, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Turnor,	
butcher, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Baker, pro se, in . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Wooddier, in . <i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Cox, in . . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas West, in . . . <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Skynner, in . . . <i>vli.</i>

Willelmus Hulberd, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Cooper, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Isaac Yorke, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete, in .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Ricardo Barnes		Willelmus Hulbert, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Wigmore Quicke, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Henricus Netherclift, in	<i>xli.</i>	Willelmus Cooper, in .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Lodovico Frewin		Willelmus Hulberd, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jerome Pococke, pro se,		Willelmus Underwood, in .	<i>xli.</i>
in .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Noble, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Daniel Martin, in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Nathaniele Black-	
Matheus <sup>5</sup> Beale, in .	<i>vli.</i>	nall	
Daniel Marten, pro se,		Silvanus Ireland, in .	<i>xli.</i>
in .	<i>xli.</i>	Joanna Limbowe, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jerome Pococke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Radulphus Coxedd, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Matheus Beale, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Franciscus Thackham, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham,		Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>xli.</i>
in .	<i>xli.</i>	pro Ricardo Holmes	
Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Franciscus Thackham, in .	<i>xli.</i>
pro Henrico Bird		Thomas Skynner, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham,		pro Edwardo Hollowaye	
in .	<i>xli.</i>	[p. 23.] New Ward.	
Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Humfrey, pro se,	
pro Edwardo Symons		in .	<i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham, in	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Tither, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Henricus Netherclift, in .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Isaaco Treherne		Matheus Beale, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Old Ward.		Jerome Pococke, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Philippus Shiler, pro se,		Daniel Marten .	<i>vli.</i>
in .	<i>xli.</i>	Joanna Limbowe, vidua,	
Radulphus Coxed, in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Skinner .	<i>vli.</i>	Silvanus Ireland, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Hulberd, pro		Radulphus Coxedd, in .	<i>vli.</i>
se, in .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Streete, in .	<i>vli.</i>		
Willelmus Cooper .	<i>vli.</i>		

<sup>5</sup> Matheas, MS.



High Ward.	Willelmus Hamlin, pro se,
Johannes Noble, pro se,	in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Roger Symons, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Underwood,	Jacobus Hamlin, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Henricus Molyns, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Mapleton, pro se,
	in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Underwood,	Radulphus Reddatt, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Wilmer, junior,
Johannes Noble, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Henricus Molyns, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
	Henricus Salmon, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
Henricus Molyns, pro	Franciscus Thackham, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Radulphus Coxed, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Johannes Noble, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Willelmus Underwood,	Bennett Bailey, pro se, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Browne, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Thomas Spenser, vic-	Franciscus Thackham . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
tualler, pro se . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	
Willelmus Underwood,	Johannes Browne, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	Bennett Bailey, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Henricus Molyns, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	et Franciscus Thackham . . . . . <i>vli.</i>
Joanna Porter, vidua,	[p. 24.] London Ward.
pro se . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Willelmus White, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Franciscus Thackham,	Willelmus Wilmer, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	pro Thoma <sup>6</sup> Towne
Radulphus Coxed, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
	Franciscus Thackham, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Johannes Hickes, pro se <i>xli.</i>	Radulphus Coxed, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	pro Johanne Atkins
Franciscus Thackham . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
	Franciscus Thackham, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Radulphus Coxed, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	Thomas Skynner, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Thomas Skynner, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	pro Willelmo Everard
pro widdua Haskerd	
	Franciscus Thackham, in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
Rogerus Symons, pro se,	Thomas Skynner . . . . . <i>xli.</i>
in . . . . . <i>xli.</i>	pro Johanne Johnson
Willelmus Hamlin, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	
Jacobus Hamlin, in . . . . . <i>vli.</i>	

<sup>6</sup> Thome, MS.

Radulphus Coxed, in . xli.	Franciscus Thackham, in . xli.
Thomas Skynner, in . xli.	Thomas Skynner, in . xli.
pro Henrico Cleere	pro Willelmo Wickins

[p. 25.] Quarter-daye. Fridaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1637; annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Saunders \*, Esq., John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye William Turnour, senior, made request to have a parcell of the void ground by St. Marye Church w . . . to inclose . . . . . for his owne use at an yearly rent. Not denied, but agreed to be first viewed and measured by the Cofferers.

Jonathan Miller his petition was read and the offendour convented and then aunswered in person.

William Burrey, an osteler at the Cardinall Hatt, was convented, and he promised to be gone with his wief within x dayes next, at the furthest.

At this daye a petition of manye of th'inhabitanter, housholders, concerninge their greivances, &c. was refer'd to be aunswered when our Counsell shalbe come home, and assistaunt to this Company, &c.

Tuesdaye, 27 Februarii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 26.] Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye informacion was geven by William Rider and Thomas Boules that on Sondaye night last one William Lawley, a miller, dwellinge with Thomas Towne, about 8 or 9 of the clocke, did lead a poore woman named Ann Hersey by the arme into the Ortes and there did abuse her by violently usinge her body, &c.

William Lawley was comitted to Counter and required to finde sureties, &c.

The said Anne Hersey, beinge convented, denyed not the circumstances, but confessed the said William Lawley had the use of her bodye, &c., and that she was that daye muche overtaken with drinke to her great griefe, &c.

Ad Sessionem Pacis. Memorandum, quod 9<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1637, coram Antonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Willelmus Lawley cognovit	}	quod ipse Willelmus Lawley com-
se debere domino Regi		pareat ad proximam Sessionem
xxli. . . . .		Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia
Joseph Burford et Thomas		que, etc. et quod interim bene
Plomridge xli. separa-	}	geret versus omnes cunctos popu-
tim manuc' . . . . .		los, etc.

Wensdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637.

[No record of attendance or business for this day.]

Tuesdaye, 20<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Williamson brought into this place a cotype of Mr. William Kendricke's will, with divers deedes and writinges concerninge his Almes-houses, and the meanes of his Almes-peoples' mayntenance.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 27.] Wensdaye, xxj<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637, ac. 13<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Secondary Burgesses.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye eleccion was made of the 3 poore Maidservantes to cast the lottes for the xx nobles uppon Good Fridaye next, for eache parishe one, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Marye parishe,

1. Elizabeth Thorneberye, servant to Mr. Bunberye 9 yeaes.

In St. Lawrence parishe,

1. Anne Hollowaye, servant to Symon Dye 9 yeres.

In St. Giles' parishe.

2. Evenyce Willett, servant to Mr. Clerke, minister, 9 yeres.

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[p. 28.] Good Fridaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1637, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Seneschall, John Saunders, Esq.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jenynges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour\*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

\* Marked as absent.

The 3 poore Maidservantes elected to cast the lottes this daie for the xx nobles :—

2. Evenice Willett for St. Giles' parishe.
1. Helen Thornebury for St. Marie's parishe.
1. Anne Holloway for St. Laurence parishe.

Memorandum, this is the second yeare from the 5th for Southcott.

Memorandum, this daie Tobye Marten in the behalfe of Joseph Blaggrave paid the x*li*. to the Maiour and Burgesses due this daie, according to the last will and testament of Mr. John Blaggrave, late deceased, in a new purse of leather; and it was this day distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>,

To Hellen Thornebury that day by lott	.	v <i>li</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Churchwardens of St. Laurence	.	xxs.
To the Churchwardens of Marie's	.	xxs.
To the Churchwardens of St. Giles'	.	vjs.
To the Preacher that day	.	xs.
To the Junior Churchwarden	.	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Clarke and Sexten, 3 <i>s</i> . 4 <i>d</i> . a-peice	.	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .
To the Clarke of the Hall	.	vij <i>d</i> .

Att this day alsoe the 4*li*. of Mr. William Brackston's gift, by direccions of his will, was distributed in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 60 poore weomen in St. Marie's parishe	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Laurence parishe	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Giles' parishe	xxs.
And to 20 poore men, 12 <i>d</i> . a-peice	xxs.

At this day alsoe iiij*li*. of Widdowe Worsley's gift was distributed to 60 poore widowes, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Giles' parishe	25.
In St. Laurence	25.
In St. Marie's	10.

At this day alsoe iiij*li*. of William Legge's gift was distributed to 24 poore housholders, at 3*s*. 4*d*. a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>. to

- 8 in St. Laurence parishe.
- 8 in St. Marie's parishe.
- 8 in St. Giles' parishe.

Memorandum, to call for the bills of the particuler distribucions in each parishe.

St. Marie's bill of names of the poore	} that had contribution of the
St. Laurens' bill of the names of	
the poore . . .	
St. Giles' . . .	
	charitable guiftes in Mr.
	Maiour's power to distri-
	bute that day and tyme.

[p. 29.] Tuesdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1638, et 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne.

At this daye nihil, etc.

Mondaye, 9 Aprilis, 1638, ac xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the Lawe-daye was holden.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

Edwardus Johnson, jurator primus.

Willelmus Wilmer	} jurati.	Lawrence Creed	} jurati.
Ricardus Alright		Walter Filmer	
Willelmus Wilder		Johannes Parrett	
Robertus Jeames		Johannes Hatt	
Ricardus Seelye		Edward Staunton	
Ricardus Levins		Bartholmeus Lake	
Thomas Pippes			
Edwardus Johnson	} Affirers, jurati.		
Willelmus Wilmer			
Ricardus Alright			

Ad primum diem Septembris dicunt verdict.

Memorandum, to speake with Mr. Izaak Cray and olde William Grene, about the Gaole money, &c.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 30.] Tuesdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the Overseers of the poore of every parishe within the Borough made their severall accomptes, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Edward Brackston and John Elkyns, overseers in St. Marye parishe, 1637. Vide le file for the particulers.

Were charged with one wholle yeare's colleccion,	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
whiche they rated, taxed and collected of	77	4	9
the parishioners for and towards the ne-			
cessarie relief of their poore . . . . .			
Of whiche they distributed in releivinge the poore	77	3	0
aged and impotent people, as by their par-			
ticular accompte remayning uppon the file			
apeareth . . . . .			

Soe uppon that accompt there was xxjd. remayninge, whiche by the Overseers was then distributed.

More the said Overseers did then and there make accompte of all other the somes of money geven to charitable uses and come into their handes in the said yere, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Of and by meanes of Mr. John Kendricke's guift in	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
money from Mr. Maiour . . . . .	16	13	4
Of and by meanes of the yerely guift of Mr. Deane			
in bread . . . . .	00	15	0
Of the guift of Richard Bredes at his death xij	00	12	0
duszen bread . . . . .			
Of the guift of Robert James at the death of his	00	10	0
childe in bread . . . . .			
Of the guift of Mr. Harrison's sonne-in-lawe, at the	00	10	0
death of his childe, in bread 10 duszen . . . . .			
Of Mr. Iremonger's guift at his death to the poore,	01	00	0
in bread . . . . .			

\* Marked as absent.



Of Richard Breddes' guift on Good Friday in bread	}	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
xij duszen . . . . .		00	12	0
Of and by meanes of the guift of Reynold Butler,	}	01	00	0
deceased . . . . .				
Of Sir Edward Clerke's guift . . . . .		03	00	0
Of Mr. Martin's guift in money . . . . .		00	10	0
Of Mrs. Winche her guift . . . . .		01	00	0
Of Mr. Bromfeilde's guift . . . . .		00	13	4
Of William Plonke's gift in bred . . . . .		00	06	8
Vide le file.		27	02	4
In this parishe this yere in relief, besides what is				
over and above by the Maiour . . . . .		77	04	9
		7	104	07 1

In St. Lawrence parishe, 1638 [1637].

Willyam White	}	Overseers of and for the poore.
Joell Stevens		
Christofer Goad		

Uppon their accomptes charged with one wholle	}			
yeare's colleccion by them taxed and collected				
of the parishiners for and towards the neces-		83	6	3½
sary relief of the poore and impotent people				
there . . . . .				
More with 8 weekes' taxe, of which . . . . .		10	12	2
The totall . . . . .		93	18	5½
Whereof paid the poore as by the particulers	}	94	01	4
apeareth . . . . .				
Soe paid more than received . . . . .		00	2	10½
Item, received and paid more in bread and money	}	05	15	0
of the guiftes of severall benefactours whose				
names are on the file . . . . .				
Item, more received and distributed of and by	}	16	13	4
meanes of the guift of Mr. John Kendricke,				
whiche Mr. Maiour delivered them in this yeare				

Vide le file hujus anni.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Soe in this yeare distributed in relief of the poore of this parishe by the Overseers . } [sic]	115	6	9½
In St. Giles' parishe, 1637. Robert Terroll, William Turnour, Overseers.			
Collected by the booke and for Whitley pay- ment . . . . .	64	19	9
Distributed as appeareth . . . . .	65	10	1
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Surcharge	00	10	4
	<hr/>		
Receaved of Mr. John Kendricke's guift by } Mr. Maiour's handes . . . . .	16	13	4
Casuall receiptes in this yeare which was all distributed accordinglye . . . . .	09	04	0
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	25	17	4
Vide lēz file hujus anni pro particularibus	64	19	9
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	90	17	1
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[p. 31.] Wensdaye, 2º Maii, 1638, et xiiijº regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne\*, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the xxv*li.* due at Ladye-daye last, for the performaunce of Mr. John Kendricke's guift to charitable uses, by direccions of his will, was by Mr. Maiour paid to the Overseers of the poore of eache parishe as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To Richard Jayes and Timothie Banister, over- seers in St. Mary parishe, 1638 . . . . .	8	6	8
To Peter Thorne and William Cades, overseers in St. Giles' parishe, 1638 . . . . .	8	6	8
To Mr. John Newman, Symon Dyc, and Samuell Johnson, overseers in St. Lawrence parishe, 1638 . . . . .	8	6	8
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	25	0	0
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\* Marked as absent.

At this daye (Sir Frauncis Knollis, sen., being present) Anthony Englefeild, Esquire, complayned that divers ill-disposed persons, whereof those whose names are underwritten were some of them, the 19th daye of Aprill last past, in the night tyme, unlawfully entred into his ground, called Meanfeildes, at White Knightes, and there in a place called the Grove, did sawe, cut downe and carry awaye a younge tymber tree there groweing, &c.

Henry Rowse\*, Richard Grenewaye, Roger Jakes, John Saunders, Valentyne Skeate, jun.\*

Afterwardes the said Mr. Englefeild, by writinge to Mr. Maiour, caused the said delinquentes to be released and set at libertie.

Fridaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the lettre from the Erle of Holland, concerninge the election of another Counsell in the place of Mr. John Saunders deceased, was openly read and by a full consent aunswered.

Vide lej file literarum.

And at this daye and tyme Mr. Robert Malthus made request to leave his place of Hedburgheshippe, that he might live ellswhere, alledgeinge many reasons therefore. But it was denyed him.

[p. 32.] Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Mr. Maiour havinge receaved vj quarters of good bread corne, of the guift of that memorable gentleman, Mr. John Packer<sup>8</sup>, towardes the relief of the poore people of this Corporacion, it was devided by ij quarters to each parishe, and in the afternoone of the same daye the said Maiour and Magistrates, by the information of the Overseers of the poore of each parishe, in the open hall distributed and gave the same corne to everye poore bodye a pecke,

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>8</sup> Parker, MS.

as farre as it would equallye extend ; the names of all whiche poore in eache parishe doe appeare uppon the file.

Tuesday, 15 Maii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*, and Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this day lettres from the Lorde's Grace of Canterburye to the Maiour and Burgesses, expressinge his favour towards their renueinge of their Chartre, were openly read and refer'd untill next Quarter-daye to be considered on.

At this daye alsoe the bill of Mr. Daniell Blagrove against the Maiour and Burgesses, concerninge his uncle Mr. John Bla[grave] his will, was openly read, (in the presence of Mr. Anthony Blagrove,) whoe, understanding the busynes, requested the Companye that in the aunsweringe thereof the cause might not be starved for want of Counsell, and he would paye the charges, &c.

At this daye

Richard Holloway, Constable,

John Creed and Edward Johnson, Churchwardens,

Samuell Johnson, Sidesman,

complayned against Thomas Sawser for his abuses towards them, they beinge doinge their offices in the parishe the last saboth, &c. Required to finde suerties for his good behaviour.

Memorandum, quod predictus Thomas	} quod ipse personaliter comparabit ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. ad respondendum ad omnia, etc. et quod interim se bene geret, etc.
Sawser cognovit se debere domino	
Rcgi xlii.	
Abrahamus Paise et Bennet Bailey manucep' pro predicto Thoma Sawser separatim sub pena xxli. per se	
Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam.	

[p. 33.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerk, Scenes-chall.

## Capitalle Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jeninges\*, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye the lettres of the Lord's Grace of Canterbury, expressinge his favour in renueinge their Chartre, were agayne openly read, &c., and divers thinges agreed to be amended in the Chartre whiche are left in Sir Edward [Clerke's] handes.

And some speches had about raisinge money to beare the charge of renueinge the Chartre, but nothinge agreed; refer'd till next Tuesday.

At this daye delivered to Sir Edward Clerke the coppie of Mr. Blagrove's will, the coppie of Mr. Daniell Blagrove's bill, and one parchment deed purportinge a release of 100*li*.

Monday, 21<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

The Lord Archbishop's lettre was delivered to Sir Edward Clerke to aunswere in gratulate manner.

At this daye the aunswere to Mr. Danyell Blagrove's bill of complaynt in Chauncerye was read and well liked of all.

[p. 34.] Tuesdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

\* Marked as absent.

Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Edward Baker, William Turnour, Thomas Thackham, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye the aunswere made to Mr. Danyell Blagrove's bill in Chauncerye, against the Maiour and Burgesses, was openly read, well liked on, and by all the Company presente; jurantur coram prefato Edwardo Clerke, milite.

At this daye the Lord Archbishopp's Grace's lettres were delivered to Sir Edward Clerke and the gratulatorie answere, &c.

26<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638. I delivered to Mr. Walter Knight the counterpart of Mr. Daniell Blagrove's lease, &c.

Wensdaye, 30<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1638.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Divers persons were convented to redeeme their goodes distreynd for Shipmoney.

Younge Walles promised within fourtene dayes to rid the Towne of the childe in question, or ells to dwell himself with his wife and that childe out of the Towne and liberties altogether, &c.

All accions and demaundes dependinge betwene Widowe Stockwell, Joseph her sonne, and Frauncis Thackham, beinge refer'd to the order of Mr. Maiour and his Brethren presente, was ended and ordered in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>. Frauncis Thackham shall paye 3*s*. 4*d*. in money to Widowe Stockwell in full payment for all, and all accions betwene them or any of them from hencefourth shall cease, &c.

John Purdey of Readinge, laborer, charged with the begettinge of a childe on the bodye of Anne Jenyns, servante with Mr. William Jermyn.

Memorandum, quod John Purdey, laborer, cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xxli</i> .	} quod ipse predictus Johannes Purdey comparet ad proximam Sessionem Pacis ad respondendum, etc.
Thomas Purdey, de, etc. et Daniel Weyre, wever, separatim sub pena <i>xli</i> .	
Anne Jeninges, spinster, complainant.	

\* Marked as absent.



[p. 35.] Tuesdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638, et 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye Richard Mayne, a clothiour, was chosen to be one of the Almes-men in Mr. William Kendricke's Almes-houses, in the roometh and place that John Carden, deceased, had and held; and the gowne that was John Carden's was geven to Richard Mayne, with the dore-key.

Richard Mayne	} IIIIIIIIIIIII [15].
George Fawler	
John Knight	
John Cowdrey	

Sutors.

At this daye it was agreed that to releive the visited people, and to beare the charges of keeping watchmen, &c., a taxe of sixe weekes' payment shalbe levyed by the colleccion-booke.

iiij*d.* a daye shalbe allowed to every pole [?] in the Cunditt close, and iij*d.* a daye to every persone shutt up in Minster Streete, 4 housholdes:

William Potter's.

Widowe Grey.

Widow Johnson.

Edward Foote.

Wensdaye, 6<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye Margaret Johnson, spinster, complayned that her master, Robert Creed, had beaten her with a faggott sticke, and striken her soe unreasonably that she is disabled to worke, &c.

\* Marked as absent.



Robert Creed beinge examyned, &c., it was ordered and agreed that she shall dwell with her Master until Midsomer next, and then she may departe from his service ; and that Robert Creed shall then deliver to her all her wearinge apparell. Noe wages.

At this daye the differences bitwene Jonathan Millerd and his sonne-in-lawe, Richard Hollowaye, were herd. Agreed that Jonathan Millerd shall paye to Richard Hollowaye xxxs., in full payment of all, &c., viz<sup>t</sup>. xijs. at that tyme<sup>9</sup> and viijs. at Michaellmas next. And soe to be lovers and freinds. And Jonathan shall save the said Richard harmlesse for all those thinges concerninge his wief, &c.

[p. 36.] 7<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Annable Coxed, the wief of Lawrence Coxed, of Readinge, came the second tyme and complained that she is in feare and dares not goe about her busynes, for that Valentine Skeate, jun., Richard Grenewaye, William Greenewaye, jun., and Henry Rowse doe contynue threatninge to doe her some bodily hurt, shoote her with pellettes, castinge stones at her and her children, for to kill her, &c. Juratur.

Ad Sessiones Pacis. Memorandum, quod	} quod ipse compa- reat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum [ad] omnia, etc. et quod interim te- neat pacem, etc.
die et anno supradictis Valentine Skeate, jun., cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Henricus Rowse, etc. et Walter Fellowe manucep' separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> .	
Memorandum, quod predictus Henricus Rowse cog- novit, etc. xx <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse si- militer, etc.
Valentine Skeate, etc. et Walter Fellowe manucep' separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> . etc.	
Memorandum, quod predictus Willelmus Grenewaye, etc. xx <i>li</i> .	} quod si- militer, etc.
Willelmus Grenewaye, sen., etc. et Richard Barnes, wever, etc., separatim manucep' pro predicto	
Willelmo sub pena x <i>li</i> .	
Ricardus Grenewaye non est inventus, etc.	

<sup>9</sup> Solvit, *added here*.

Tuesdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burrin.

[p. 37.] 19<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638.

At this daye Thomas Warwicke and Robert Maywell, his Majestie's servantes, and William Mathewes and Richard Coxe (?), and others, incorporated in the Chartre by the name of Master Wardens and Societie of Tobacco-pipe-makers of Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, did shewe to be read their Chartre and auctoritye under the great Seale of England, bearing date at Westminster the tenth daye of December, in the tenth yeare of the raigne of Kinge Charles, &c. with many priviledges, &c. Whiche Master Wardens and Societie of Tobacco-pipe-makers have auctorised Richard Wheeler of Readinge, &c. under their common seale, by the assistance of a Constable or some other lawfull officer, to doe and execute, prout, etc. ; promised a newe deputation to hym, because their orders at the first were not established, prout, etc. and further did shewe a warrant concerninge the true course of buyeing claye, whiche shalbe more playnlye expressed, &c.

Tuesdaye, 26 Junii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

[No business recorded for this day.]

30<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1638. Coram *Majore*.

Richard Hollowaye of the Constable did take oath that an idle vagrant fellowe [*blank*] engrossinge at the Chicken and Poultrye in the Markett in his presens and hearinge and in the presens and

\* Marked as absent.

hearing of divers others, did wilfully sweare divers othes, viz<sup>t</sup>. as God shall judge him, &c.

Michael Readinge and others will depose.

[p. 38.] Tuesdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye a second taxe of vj weekes' payment to releive the visited people was uppon good causes graunted to be collected.

At this daye Raphe Whistler made request to have one of the *vli.*, &c. to place Thomas Potinger apprentice to Frauncis Terroll. Promised, prox'.

Roger Symons made the like request to place John Symons. Promised, per omnes.

Mr. Newman is promised the third *vli.* for Potter's boye, in regard he promised to lend *vli.* in the meane tyme, and to bynd the boye apprentice.

Ita est per W. W.

Memorandum, Danyell Weare for a boye of Phillip Purdyer.

Tuesdaye, 10 Julii, 1638, xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Walter Fellowe, Constable, beinge one of the collectours of the Shipmoney, tooke a distresse in goodes of Mr. James Smythes for xxs. taxed uppon him, viz<sup>t</sup>. :—

1 copper kettle worth	14s.	} 21s.
1 yron pott worth	04s.	
1 yron kettle worth	03s.	

Henry Frewin [and] Roger Walker, praisers.

Instantlye Richard Stampe in Mr. Smithe's behaulf paid the 20s. and redeemed the goodes before they were sould.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye William Bagley, for *vli.* to be paid him, did lease to Mr. Maiour and the Burgesses all that his close next adjoyninge to their Cunditt close, to build houses there for the visited people, till Lady-day next. William Bagley the herbaige.

At this day the differences betwene Thomas Higden, baker, and his apprentice, Thomas Hersey, were heard, &c.

Vide lez file.

Mr. Richard Burren[?] did openly saye that he had received of Mr. Vigares for parte of William Gandye's debt 150*li.*

[p. 39.] Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. Richard Burren \*.

*iiijd.* a weeke to releive poore Butler shalbe paid by St. Lawrence overseers hencefourth. And towards Michaellmas next, at Mr. Maiour's accompt, Butler shalbe remembered, if, &c.

Tuesdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1638, et *xiiij<sup>to</sup>* anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye in regard of the great charges of the receivinge the visited people and others, &c., it is agreed that *xij* weekes' taxe shalbe fourthwith collected.

Tuesdaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.

Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638, ac xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

At this daye the deed in trust made by Sir Thomas Vachell, for the mayntenance of his sixe Almes-houses and six poore men inhabitinge therein, was brought in and openly read, and put in chest.

Memorandum, a Register-booke.

[p. 40.] Saturdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Ad domum Edwardi Clerke, Militis, post meridiem.

Tuesdaye, 14<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638, ac 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthony Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

John Jeninges, agreeth; Robert Dye, consenteth; William Jacob; Thomas Harrison, agreeth.

18<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638. Coram Anthonio Brackston, generoso, *Majore*, for abusinge the Jurours, viz<sup>t</sup>. Edward Johnson et sociis suis.

Memorandum, Humfridus Huse, baker,	} quod ipse compareat ad	
cognovit se debere domino Regi		proximam Sessio-
xl <i>li</i> . . . . .		nem Pacis ad respon-
Thomas Hatton, de, etc. et Ricardus		dendum, etc., et quod
Markham, etc. manucep' separatim	} interim se bene geret,	
sub pena xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		etc.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam.

[Signed] Humfery Hewes, Richard Markham, Thomas Hatton.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 41.] Tuesdaye, xxj<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638, ac 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Antonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

The newe Chartre, Maiour, Aldermen and Burgesses.

At this daye the names of the xij Aldermen to be named in the Chartre were sett downe in writinge, and the names of the xij Burgesses to be chosen and sett downe by the Maiour and the Aldermen or the greater parte of them.

Tuesdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1638, et 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren \*.

Sessio sive Curia Clerici Mercati hospicii domini Regis infra Virgam, coram Carolo Walker, generoso, deputato Pauli Port . . . Clerici Marcati, etc. die et anno supradictis.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

Edwardus Johnson, jurator, primus.

Willelmus Wylder	} jurati.	Lawrence Creed	} jurati.
Willelmus Mylles		Walter Filmer	
Robert James		Johannes Parrett	
Matheus Emmarye		Johannes Beale	
Ricardus Seelye		Nathaniell Chandler	
Johannes Redferne		Willelmus Beisley	
Ricardus Levyns		Andreas Wright	
Edwardus Staunton		Johannes Hatt	
Willelmus White		Bartholmewe Lake	

[p. 42.] Eleccion-daye, Saturdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638, et 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke.

\* Marked as absent.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Richard Burren.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye the said Maiour and Capitall Burgesses, by direccion of their Chartre did nomynate and appoynt 3 of the said Capitall Burgesses to sitt in election, to th'intent and purpose that one of those 3 by the said Maiour and residue of the Burgesses shalbe elected Maiour for the next yeare, as by their Chartre is required viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. Richard Burren IIIIIIIIIII [12], Maior elect.
2. Mr. Christofer Turnor.
3. Mr. Thomas Turnour.

Memorandum at this daye Sir Edward Clerke requested Mr. Maiour and the Capitall Burgesses to elect and take his sonne, Mr. Edward Clerke, to be one of theire Secondarye Burgesses: the whiche was not then denyed, but refer'd till consideracion was had of the Erle of Hollande's lettres formerly sent to them, and of their aunswere thereunto, &c.

Tuesdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Richard Burren, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam. 6<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638.

Edward Strowd cognovit xx <i>li</i> .	} ad Sessionem Pacis proximam
Simo Dye et Henricus Frewyn,	
jun., manucep' separatim	
xx <i>li</i> . . . . .	
	ad respondendum ad omnia,
	etc. et interim se bene ge-
	rat, etc.

\* Marked as absent.



[p. 43.] Mondaye, 10<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Richard Burren, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne.

Robert Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye seeinge that the Quarter-daye usually holden for the meetinge of all the Companye for consideracion of the Hall busynes wilbe uppon St. Mathewe's daye, whiche is Faire-daye in this Boroughe, the Quarter-daye is referred untill Mondaye the xxiiij<sup>th</sup> daye of this moneth, &c.

Wensdaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1638.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerke, Mr. Richard Burren, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne.

At this daye it was agreed that in recompence of the paynes that Goodwief Lowgey had taken amongst the visited people at the Cunditt close, the Constables shall paye her *vj/l.* And Mr. Mayour promised a wascote cloth over and above the *vj/l.*

And at this daye alsoe it was agreed and promised that the Constable Fellow shalbe defended and saved harmles in the busynes concerninge Mr. Baldwyn, if any arise against him.

[p. 44.] Quarter-daye, die Lune, xxiiij<sup>o</sup> die Septembris, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni Regis, etc.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Maiour*. Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne.

\* Marked as absent.

## Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, Willyam Jacobb, Thomas Harrison\*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Richard Baker, Willyam Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye the 100*li.* of Mr. Richard Ironstede's guift was lent to iiij<sup>or</sup> Tradesmen of this Corporacion, videlicet, ij Clothiers and ij Shopkeepers for 4 yeares accordinge to his will, viz<sup>t</sup>.

<i>li.</i>			
Edward Poole	25	} uppon securityes per bondes, prout, etc.	
John Bartlett	25		
Thomas Eyres	25		
Younge Saleman	25		

Tolle. At this daye it was agreed that Arthur Liford payeing the arrerages of his rent unpaid at xxs. per annum, he shall hold the tolles of the markett from Michaelmas-daye next for one wholle yeare, at xxvjs. viij*d.* le3 weeke.

William Bennett, a forreynour taylour, havinge dwelt many yeres within the Boroughe, was admitted to use his trade, payeing 40s. Solvit 40s.

Edward Burren, a forreynour, usinge maltinge within the Boroughe, by composicion was to be admitted, but at this tyme he denyed to paye 40s. fine.

William Salter, a forreynour taylour, was denied to be a freeman.

Thomas Baker informeth that one Lawrence Coxed, a smith, in Readinge, about Februarye last did take, steale and carry awaye a leaden plombe out of his dwellinge-house. Vide le3 file, etc.

Thomas Baker cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li.* ad proseguendum. Memorandum, ad Assisas proximas. Certified ad Assisas.

## Examynacion of Lawrence Coxed.

Saith he is not guiltye therein or in any kinde, &c.

Lawrence Coxed cognovit pro se sub pena 40 <i>li.</i> . . . . .	} ad comparandum et ad respondendum ad omnia, etc. ad proximas Assisas.	
Willelmus Osborne et Hugo Quicke manucep' separatim sub pena xx <i>li.</i> per se, etc. . . . .		
Vide le3 file, etc.		

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 45.] Mondaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Anthonye Brackston, *Mayour*. Sir Edward Clerke.

Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne.

Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye and tyme Mr. Richard Burren, the newe elected Maiour, by direccion of the Charter, in the presence of his predecessour Maiour and the residue of the said Burgesses did take his corporall oath,

1. of Supremacie,
2. the oath of Maiour and Justice of Peace,
3. and the oath of Clerke of the Markett.

And at this daye and tyme the said Maiour, by and with consent of his Brethren, the said Capitall Burgesses, did name and apoynt two Cofferers for the yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Thomas Harrison [and] Peter Burningham, Cofferers, jurati.

And at this daye and tyme the said Maiour did name and apoint to be Constables and Wardens for this yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Edward Brackston	}	Constables, jurati.
John Harison		

Richard Stevenson	}	gardiani Alte garde, jurati.
Willyam Jeames		

Edward Poole and	}	gardiani Minster [garde].
Richard Wheeler		

James White and	}	gardiani London [garde].
James Richardson		

John Horne and	}	gardiani Nove garde, jurati.
Richard Emmarton		

\* Marked as absent.

Henry Clayton and }  
William Lowgrove } gardiani de Veteri garda, jurati.

And at this daye and tyme the said late Maiour made his accomptes openly in the Town Hall of all the stockes and somes of money, yearly rentes and revenues geven to and for charitable uses in this Corporacion, whiche came to his handes and were in his charge in the tyme of his Maioraltie, as in and by the particuler bills thereof remayninge uppon the file of this yeaere's busynes doth and maye appeare.

Memorandum, at this daye in regard it is well knowne to divers men of this Companye that old Mr. Pettye, of Sherborne, did many yeaeres keepe a shoppe and make open shewe of his dyeinge woolls and cloth in this Towne uppon the Markett-dayes, it is agreed that Edmond Pettie, his sonne, shall have the like libertye as his father had in this Towne, payeing quarterly to the Hall.

[p. 46.] Wensdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 14<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Sir Edward Clerk, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

At this daye the Law-daye was holden for this Borough.

Nomina Juratorum.

Edward Hamblen, primus.		Moises Willys	
Ricardus Hollowaye	} Affir- ers, jur'.	Johannes Evens	} jurati.
Walter Fellowe		Johannes Cule	
Johannes Mylles		Johannes Watlington	
Robert Terroll	} jurati.	Christofer Goad	
Ricardus Stampe		Edwardus Strowd	
Franciscus Knight		Petrus Thorne	
Willelmus Bishoppe		Bartlemewe Lake	
Ricardus Fellowe			

Wensdaye after Midlent Sundaye to geve their verdict.

Wensdaye, x<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, }  
William Jacobb } *misericordia*, 3*s.* 4*d.*

Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackstone, Edward Hamblen\*.

Agreed that Mr. Maiour and Mr. Anthony Brackston shall goe about the Chartre and Towne busynes at London the next Mondaye, and to take counsell of auncient Lawyers, &c.

[p. 47.] Fridaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston.

At this daye Lawrence Barlowe sent to Mr. John Eyston, of Streteley, Berkes, a geldinge, colour baye, ij white feet behind, with a starr in the forchede, payeing the charges, had him delivered.

13<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Mr. William Whistler complayned that he hired one William [blank] to be his servant at Michellmas for one year to make mault and to doe other busynes, and gave him xij*d.* in earnest; whiche is confessed by the said William; yet notwithstandinge he hath placed himself to dwell with Mr. Lovell and will serve him. Daye geven till this daye fortnight to provide Mr. Whistler an hable man, or ellis to aunswere the lawe.

15<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Delivered to Mr. Maiour, William Taylour's	} 15 <i>oli.</i>
bond for payment of . . . . .	
And the last weeke delivered to Mr. Anthonye	} xxv <i>li.</i>
Brackston a bond of William Taylour's for	
payment of . . . . .	

Wensdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.

Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 48.] Wensdaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne \*, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye the quietus for the fee-farme due at Michaellmas, 1638, beinge the yeare Mr. Anthonye Brackston was *Maiour*, was brought in and put in chest.

At this daye it was in question howe the money to paye the charges of the newe Chartre shalbe raised, &c. Not concluded.

At this daye a lease of the house and wharffe neere the High Bridge was graunted to Symon Dye for 3 lives, at *vj* *li*. rent, and under the usuall covenantes, &c., he payeinge 8*o* *li*. fine, within one moneth, and surrendringe his former lease, dependinge uppon Mr. Thomas Knighte's lief, &c.

Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne \*, Mr. Antonye Brackston.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen \*.

At this daye the *xxv* *li*. at Michaellmas last for the performaunce of Mr. John Kendricke's guift to charitable uses, accordinge to direccions of his will, was by Mr. *Maiour* paid to the Overseers for the poore of cache parishe, viz<sup>t</sup>.

\* Marked as absent.



To Mr. John Newman, Symon Dye and Samuell Johnson, overseers for the poore of St. Lawrence parishe . . . . .	} <i>li. s. d.</i> 8 6 8
To Richard Jeyes and Timothie Banister, overseers for the poore of St. Mary parishe . . . . .	} 8 6 8
To Peter Thorne and William Oades, overseers for the poore of St. Giles' parishe . . . . .	} 8 6 8

At this daye it was agreed that the Bellman shall walke in the nighte with his Bell untill the Watche shall take place, he usinge all dilligence in his other offices, prout, etc.

At this daye the Decree of th' Exchequour concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's legacie was openly read, and agreed that the undertakers shalbe warned against Mondaye next.

[p. 49.] 7<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1638.

Agreed that the Cofferer, Mr. Dye, shall deliver to Mr. Brackston, to pay parte of the charges of the Chartre, 40*li*.

Tuesdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

At this daye the undertakers of th'employment [of] the common stocke were certified of the Decree made in th'Exchequour for the alteracion of the employment of that stocke; and were warned to paye in the money, haulfe at Christmas next, and the other haulfe at Candlemas next; and in the meane-tyme to keepe the poore in worke, prout, etc.

Margaret Millard, widowe, was forbidden this daye keepinge shoppe and sellinge Turners' wares, at her perill.

At this daye it was ordered that the Overseers of the poore of eache parishe shall warne their workinge poore to have the wheate of Mr. Packer's guift distributed amongst them by the Overseers' appointment on Friday next.

In St. Lawrence parishe	17 bushells	} 6 quarters.
In St. Marye parishe	14 bushells	
In St. Giles' parishe	17 bushells	



[p. 50.] Mondaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye, William Jacobb \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen \*.

At this daye the order of Jovis<sup>1</sup>, the xxvth of October, anno regni Caroli regis xiiij<sup>o</sup>, inter Johannem Blagrove, executorem Alexandri Blagrove, querentem, Alexandrum Blagrove et Anthonium Blagrove, defendentes, was openly read.

And another order of Martis<sup>2</sup>, xxx<sup>o</sup> die Octobris, anno regni regis Caroli xiiij<sup>o</sup>, inter Johannem Blagrove, executorem Alexandri Blagrove, querentem, Alexandrum Blagrove et Anthonium Blagrove, defendentes, was alsoe openly read.

Both of them purportinge a Certificate from the Maiour and Burgesses, if any surrender was made by the said John Blagrove of the former lease made by the Maiour and Burgesses to Alexander Blagrove, the father, of certen landes, &c.

And a draught, in paper, of a Certificate from the Maiour and Burgesses to that effect, but for want of their Counsell whiche was acquainted with all the procedinges of the premisses it was not agreed unto ; but by the majour voice referr'd to their Counsell, Sir Edward Clerke, for him to drawe the Certificate, and within 3 dayes to have it brought unto them, and if they did like it then that should be sealed.

Wensdaye, 27<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

[No business recorded for this day, nor are the names marked.]

\* Marked as absent,

<sup>1</sup> *i.e.* Thursday.

<sup>2</sup> *i.e.* Tuesday.

[p. 51.] Tuesdaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*.

Tuesdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Anne Marten, spinster, late servant to Mathewe Wylder, of Sulhampsted Abbott, complayneth that she is with childe, begotten by Thomas Hawkyns, alias Arlatt, junior, late servant and laborer to the said Mathew Wylder.

Uppon examynacion doth not denye but that he hath had carnall knowledge of her bodye divers tymes.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proxime futuram.

Memorandum, quod predictus Thomas Hawkyns, alias Arlatt, jun., cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. . .

Thomas Hawkyns, alias Arlatt, sen., de Sulhampstede Abbott, laborer, et

William Stirt, de Sulhampstede Abbott, husbandman, separatim manuceperunt sub pena x*li*. . . .

} quod ipse prefatus Thomas, junior, compareat ad Sessionem Pacis proximam ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim se bene geret, etc.

[Signed] Thomas Hakens.

Signum dicti Thome, T. *h*.

Signum dicti Willelmi Stirt.

[p. 52.] Wensdaye, 19 Decembris, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

Thomas Harrison, Cofferer.

\* Marked as absent.

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Whereof paid Mr. Brackston towardses the Chartre .	060	00	00
More allowed and paid in <sup>3</sup> suche sort as appereth ;	17	16	11
soe there remayneth in hand, whiche was paid			
into Mr. Thomas Harrison's handes, the			
Cofferer . . . . .			
More repaid for the Lecturer . . . . .		10	0

[p. 53.] Quarter-daye, die Veneris, xxj<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638, et 14<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli.

#### Capitall Burgesses.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

#### Secondarye Burgesses.

John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen.

At this daye the iiij*li.* of Mr. Edward Kemishe's guift to xxiiij poore housholders, 3*s.* 4*d.* a-peice, was paid in this manner,

To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe.

To 7 in St. Marye parishe.

To 9 in St. Giles' parishe.

And the iiij*li.* of Mr. Edward Hamblen's guift to ten poore men, 8*s.* a-peece.

To 3 in St. Giles' parishe.

To 3 in St. Marye parishe.

To 4 in St. Lawrence parishe, videlicet.

Richard Davye, butcher	}	all poore.
Gabriell Patye		
Michael Benwell		
Edward Atye		

And the ten shirtes and smockes of Mr. James Pococke's guift of iij*s.* a-peice, were delivered in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

4 in St. Giles' parishe.

3 in St. Marye parishe.

3 in St. Lawrence parishe.

<sup>3</sup> over this :—'2*li.* 10*s.*'

\* Marked as absent.

And xxiiij*s.* of Mistres Swaddon's and Doctour Swaddon's guift, amongst her poore kindred in Readinge, was by the Cofferer for charitable uses distributed this daye, the names of whiche poore kindred the Cofferer registreth.

Memorandum, Symon Dye paid 60*li.* part of his fine of 80*li.*, his lease was sealed, and he promised to paye the other 20*li.* within one moneth.

Mr. Brackston had that 60*li.* towards charges of the Chartre.

And the 20*li.* is to be paid to William Wilmer in lieu of one 20*li.* lent Mr. Brackston out of Mr. Kendricke's accomptes.

26<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Symon Dye complayneth that Mr. Evered, an Alehouskeeper, hath unlawfully enterteyned divers neighbours, servantes and apprentices against the lawe and gover[n]ment, etc. in derogation, &c.

John Woodstocke, apprentice to Symon Dye, placed by the Governours and Overseers, &c., an offendour. Comitted to Counter for lacke of sureties.

Postea per mediacionem amicorum concordatum fuit et sic relaxatus est.

[p. 54.] Die Veneris, 28<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jennins, Robert Dye, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

At this meetinge the Certificat to the Lord Keeper of the surrendour of the lease, &c., required by 3 severall Orders in Court of Chauncerye, was all the busynes; whiche formerly beinge referred to Sir Edward Clerke, this daye he sent a draft thereof in paper, whiche beinge read and understood, was not fully agreed unto, but some poyntes in the conclusion thereof beinge amended it was sent backe agayne by Sir Edward's man, Mr. Fortescue, and beinge

\* Marked as absent.

amended it should be sealed, whiche before they went from the Hall he returned with the Certificat amended, and then openly read, by consent was sealed with the Towne seale, without any handes and sealed up in a paper directed to the Lord Keeper, to be sent by a conveynient messenger, not by the plaintiff nor defendantes.

Yet the next daye, after consideracion had thereof, it was thought fitt that the Certificat should be underwritten by suche of the Company as were pleased soe to doe, and soe it was done, the former opened before them and subscribed by some and denyed by others then and there presente and were sealed and delivered to Samuell Johnson to deliver accordinglye, &c.

29<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston.

John Jenyns, Robert Dye, William Jacobbe \*, Thomas Harrison \*, Peter Burningham \*, Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour, Edward Hamblen.

Memorandum, John Perrey to have the *v/i*. next come in, having an apprentice of John Goodbannes his sonnes bound to him.

[p. 55.] 31<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Peter Rutt, of Hampsteed Marshall, in the countye of Berkes, husbandman, [saith] that the dwellinge-house of Julyan Nalder, widowe, in Hampsteed Marshall, the 23th daye of December, in the night tyme, was broken open by persons unknowne, and there hence was stollen and carryed awaye divers peices of bacon, 3 pewter platters, 1 pillowbere and other peices of linnen, 1 lofe of bread, two earthen pannes of hog-lard, and ij small peices of sackcloth, taken of and from a form, and suspectinge one John Greene to be one of the offendours, sent hue and cry after him, and thereuppon he and his wief were apprehended at Newberye by the Constables, from whome the said John Greene escaped out at a windowe, and after-wardes taken at Readinge.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, quod Petrus Rutt cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. ad prosequendum ad proximas Assisas versus ipsum Johannem Greene, secundum formam statuti, etc.

Certificatum per Majorem. Assises.

The examynacion of John Grene.

Who saith he hath noe dwellinge, neither is guiltye of the fact whereof he is accused, and beinge demaunded the cause of his runinge awaye from the Constables of Newberye, saith because they found in his wive's keepinge some part of the thinges whereof he is nowe accused, and further will not confesse. And beinge demaunded the cause of his cominge to Readinge, saith he was goeing to London to seeke worke; and that he had noe other companye. Committed to the Gaole.

[p. 56.] Fridaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, *egrotus*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston.

At this daye the lettres from the Erle of Holland concerninge the placinge of Mr. Thomas Maineringe, of [*blank*], in Sir Edward Clerke's place in Readinge, were openly read and with due obedyens respected, quousque, etc.

At this daye Mr. Maiour came from his meetinge of the 4 Sheriffes, required to meete at Maydenhead about the propor[i]on-inge of [*blank*] towards the charges of provision of one shippe of 450 tun with men, armour and victualls, to be at [*blank*] at or before the xvth daye of Marche next, and from thence for 26 weekes at our charges, to be assessed and paid within 50 dies post recepcionem brevis domini Regis, etc., videlicet, x<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1638.

At this daye I delivered to Mr. Maiour William Taylour's bond for 50*li*. due 20<sup>o</sup> instantis Januarii, to be receaved at London with 150*li*. more, whiche he oweth, the bond whereof Mr. Anthony Brackston hath in his handes.

Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert

\* Marked as absent.



Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston\*.

George Goodander, hogherd. John Jerome shall have xij*d.* a weeke for to drive the beggars out of the Streetes and Towne.

[p. 57.] Saturdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antony Brackston.

At this daye Thomas Maynwaringe, Esquire, was elected Steward of this Corporacion in the roome and place of Sir Edward Clerke, Knight, deceased, and then and there did take his corporall oath to execute and doe the office of the Steward there, accordingly, &c.

Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jenninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldrige, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamlin.

Whereas the goodes of Laurence Coxhead were by reason of his attainer forfeited to this Corporacion and seized to the use of the *Maiour* and Burgesses, at this day the said *Maiour* and Burgesses received of the said Coxhead by composicion, for and in full satisfaccion of all his said goodes, the some of vi*l.*, which was then paid into the handes of Mr. Thomas Harrison, Cofferer.

At this day alsoe the 150*l.*, due by William Taylor (as parcell of Mr. John Kendricke's common stocke), was received att London by Mr. Anthony Brackston, whereof hee paid in 100*l.* and the other 50*l.* left att London by him to be accomptable for.

[p. 58.] Wensdaye, 30 Januarii, 1638, et xiii<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>4</sup> Memorandum, quod Robertus Creed pro se <i>xxli.</i> <sup>4</sup> Edwardus Browne et Francis Thackham manuceperunt separatim <i>xli.</i> .	}	ad proximas Sessiones compa- rendum ad respondendum ad omnia, etc. pro et concernens apprenticium suum.
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Tunc et ibidem partes concordaverunt et omnia bene. Sessiones Pacis.

3<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

William Winckles, feltmaker, complayneth that one John Masye of Thacham, gun-smyth, uppon Saturdaye the second of February, about xij of the clocke in the night, at the 3 Tunnes in Reading, with force and armes did strike and wound him, and put him in danger of death, &c.

Johannes Macye de Thacham, gun-smyth, cognovit se debere domino Regi <i>xli.</i> . Johannes Marshall de Thacham, miller, et Abraham Marshall de Thacham pre- dicto, yeoman, manuceperunt separatim <i>xxli.</i> .	}	quod ipse compa- reat ad proximas Sessiones Pacis ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc.
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[Signed] John Macy, Johon Marshall,  
 Abraham Marshall.

[p. 59.] Mondaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston.

John Jeninges, Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin.

At this daye the Commission for receivinge the answere of the Maiour and Burgesses to the Bill of complaynt of Daniell Blaggrave was executed and returned, sealed with the Towne scale, but not subscribed by the defendantes.

<sup>4</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham\*, Thomas Thackham\*, George Wool-dridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye the newe Charter under the great Seale of England was openly read, every word in Englishe, to the Companye presente.

[p. 60.] Wensdaye, xx<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xiiij<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaringe, Esq., Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston.

John Jeninges, Robert Dye\*, William Jacobb\*, Thomas Harrison, Peter Burningham, Thomas Thackham, George Wool-dridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*.

At this daye Mr. John Harrison, beinge thereunto appointed by the newe Chartre under the great Seale of England, did geve Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*, the oath of Supremacie, the oath of *Maiour* and Justice of Peace, and the oath of Clarke of the Markett, within the Boroughe.

And to Mr. Thomas Turnour, the seniour Magestrate, the oath of Justice of Peace, during his naturall lief.

And to Mr. Anthonye Brackston, the last precedent *Maiour*, the oath of Justice of Peace untill another newe elected *Maiour* shall take his oath of *Maiour* as the Chartre directeth.

And to Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe the oath of Steward of this Corporacion.

And to all the Capitall Burgesses presente, and to Mr. John Jeninges and Mr. Thomas Harrison the oath of Aldermen of this Corporacion, accordinge to the direccions of the newe Chartre.

\* Marked as absent.

And to Mr. Thomas Harrison and Mr. Peter Burningham the oath of Chamberlyns of this Corporacion, untill others shalbe chosen into their places, &c.

[p. 61.] 23<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

John Masye of Thacham, gun-smyth, complayneth and hath taken his corporall oath that he is afraid that William Winckles of Readinge, feltmaker, will kill or doe him some other bodily hurt, &c. And John Curtis the like, &c., and therefore prayeth to have securitye to goe in peace and safetye, &c. Jurati.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam.

Willelmus Winckles de, etc. 40 <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse Willelmus personaliter comparebit ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc.
Johannes Hickes, etc. et Johannes Curtys, de, etc. 22 <i>li</i> . per se cognoverunt . . .	

Johannes Curtis, etc. 40 <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse Johannes Curtis personaliter comparebit ad proximam Sessionem Pacis, etc. et quod interim precipue versus Johannem Masye, etc.
Willelmus Winckles, etc. et Johannes Hickes, etc. cognoverunt separatim 22 <i>li</i> .	

∞, John Hickes, John Curtis.

27<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1638. Ash-Wensdaye.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*, the Aldermen and Burgesses at this daye apointed Andrewe Bourman to be their Deputye, for them and in their name to leavie and receave all their pontage and passage money, graunted them by their newe Chartre, for 3 monethes next, and noe longer. The coppie of whiche deputation is uppon the file, &c.

And if he paye 50*s*. at the 3 monethes' end, he shall have a graunt thereof for 7 yeares, at and for 15*li*. rent per annum, he payeing haulf a yere's rent alwayes before-hand, &c.

[p. 62.] Tuesdaye, 5<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. John Jenyns, Mr. Thomas Harrison.

\* Marked as absent.

Whereas the Quarter-daye, beinge a generall meetinge of all the Companye for consultacion of the Towne affaires, was usually holden the Friday in Ember weeke, whiche is nowe next Fridaye, the viijth daye of Marche, at this daye, for some especiall causes best knowne to the Company, it was agreed that the Quarter-daye shalbe holden and kept on Fridaye, the xvth daye of this Marche, and not before.

Mr. Thomas Harrison and Mr. Richard Jayes are apoynted to purchase the landes of Mr. Verney (if they can).

Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1638.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaringe, Esq., Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, senior, custos Pacis, Mr. Anthony Brackston, custos Pacis, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, jur' unus Alderman', Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye, jur' unus Alderm', Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Burningham, juratus unus Aldermannorum.

Towards the releif of the poore visited people, and of their poore neighbours lacking worke, at this daye it was agreed there shalbe a taxe of xij weekes' payment by the Colleccion-booke of eache parishe fourthwith collected by the Churchwardens and some of the Overseers for the poore.

Mr. Jacobb shall paye for his contempt in denyeing	} vli.
to take his oath to be one of the Aldermen, as by	
the Chartre nomynated, &c. . . . .	

[p. 63.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1638, et xiiij<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*.

Mr. Thomas Turnour	} Custodes	} Aldermen nominati et jurati secundum tenorem Chartre.
Mr. Anthonye Brackston *		
Mr. Robert Malthus . . . . .		
Mr. Christofer Turnour . . . . .		
Mr. John Newman . . . . .		
Mr. Robert Bent . . . . .		
Mr. John Dewell . . . . .		
Mr. George Thorne . . . . .		
Mr. John Jeninges . . . . .		

\* Marked as absent.



Mr. Robert Dye *, <i>misericordia</i> 3s. 4d. .	} Aldermen nominati et jurati secundum tenorem Chartre.
Mr. Thomas Harrison . .	
Mr. Peter Burningham . .	
Thomas Thackham . . .	} Assistantes.
George Wooldridge, <i>absens</i> . .	
Richard Jayes . . .	
Edward Baker, <i>egrotus</i> . .	
William Turnour, <i>egrotus</i> . .	
William Brackston . . .	
Edward Hamblen *, <i>misericordia</i> 3s. 4d. .	

At this daye the Decree of th'Exchiquor, concerninge the alteration of employment of the common stocke, being the remaynder of the legacy geven by Mr. John Kendrick, was openly read, and the coppye thereof delivered to Mr. Thomas Harrison to be carryed to Mr. John Harison, beinge the Counsell with the Corporacion, about the purchase of a parcell of land of Mr. Verney lyeinge in Oxfordshire.

Memorandum, to call for that coppye when all is finished.

150*li*. shalbe lent to the Hall, and paid to Mr. Thomas Harison, to paye workmen at the Cunditt Close untill it shalbe raised in the Towne by taxacion, to be repaid to Mr. Kendricke's accompt.

[p. 64.] Wensdaye, 10 Aprilis, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Tornor, Mr. Anthony Brackstone, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Chrystopher Tornor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Gennings, Mr. Thomas Harryson, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, Wylliam Brackstone.

At this daye the choice of the 3 poore Maidservantes, to cast the lottes for the xx nobles uppon Goodfridaye next, was in this manner for eache parishe one, accordinge to the will of the donour : viz<sup>t</sup>.

3. Evenice Willette, servant to Mr. Clarke 10 yeaes, for St. Giles' parishe.

\* Marked as absent.

2. Anne Hollowaye, servant to Symon Dye at last Ladye-daye 10 yeares, for St. Lawrence parishe.

1. Friswide Strange, servant to the Ladye Clerke at Ladye-daye last 8 yeares and a haulfe, for St. Marye parishe.

[p. 65.] Goodfridaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1639, et decimo quinto regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, <i>Maiour</i> .	.	.	} Alderma[nni].
Mr. Thomas Turnour	} Custodes Pacis.	.	
Mr. Anthonye Brackston		.	
Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour	.	.	
Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent	.	.	
Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne	.	.	
Mr. John Jennings, Robert Dye *	.	.	
Thomas Harrison *, Peter Burningham	.	.	} Assisten[tes].
Thomas Thackham *, George Wooldridge	.	.	
Richard Jayes *, Edward Baker *	.	.	
William Turnour *, William Brackston *	.	.	
Edward Hamblen *	.	.	.

The 3 poore Maidservantes elected to cast the lottes this daye :

3. Evenyce Willett for St. Giles'.

2. Ann Hollowaye for St. Lawrence. Lott; 16.

1. Friswide Strange for St. Marye's.

Memorandum this is the third yeare towards the vth yeare for Southcott.

Memorandum this daye Tobye Martin in the behaulfe of Joseph Blagrove paid the  $x/4$  to the Maiour and Burgesses in a newe leather purse, accordinge to Mr. John Blagrove's will, and it was this daye distributed and paid in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
To Anne Hollowaye by lott	.	6	13 4
To the Churchwardens of St. Lawrence Churche	.	1	00 0
To the Churchwardens of St. Marye Churche	.	1	00 0
To the Churchwardens of St. Giles' Churche	.	0	6 0
To the Preacher that daye	.	0	10 0
To the junior Churchwarden	.	0	03 4
To the Clarke and Sexten	.	0	06 8

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye alsoe the *iiij* *l.* of Mr. William Brackston's guift, by direccions of his last will was distributed in this manner :

To 60 poore weomen in St. Marie's	.	.	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Lawrence	.	.	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Giles' parishe	.	.	xxs.
To 20 poore men, laborers, 12 <i>d.</i> a-peice	.	.	xxs.

At this daye alsoe the *iiij* *l.* of Mr. William Legge's guift was distributed to 24 poore housholders 3*s.* 4*d.* a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>.

8 in St. Marie parishe	xxvjs. viij <i>d.</i>
8 in St. Lawrence parishe	xxvjs. viij <i>d.</i>
8 in St. Giles' parishe	xxvjs. viij <i>d.</i>

At this daye alsoe the *iiij* *l.* of the Widowe Worsley's guift was distributed to 60 poore widowes, 12*d.* a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Giles' parishe	25.
In St. Lawrence parishe	25.
In St. Marye parishe	10.

Memorandum to call for the billes of the particuler names in eache parishe to be put uppon this yeare's file.

[p. 66.] Wensdaye, xxiiij<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 1<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges\*, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge\*, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker\*, William Turnour\*, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 67.] Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaringe, Esq., Steward.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. A[nthony] B[rackston]\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the Lawdaye was holden for this Boroughe.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

Thomas Dewell,	} Affir- ers, jurati.	Willelmus Plomridge	} jurati.
primus		Henricus Frewyn	
Nicholas Westwood		Arthur Liford	
Johannes Mappleton		Johannes Chandler	
Abraham Watlington		Obadiah Osgood	
Samuell Johnson	} jurati.	Edward Knight	}
Robert Creed		Willelmus Shadocke	
Willelmus Blacknoll		Johannes Fellowe	
Robertus Wheeler		Bartholmewe Lake	

Veredictum 14<sup>o</sup> Augusti prox'.

John Asten	} Cordwayners, Searchers and Sealers of Leather }	} jurati.
Thomas Illesley		

#### The prices of Ale and Beere.

##### Double Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	viijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The firken	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The pipken	.	.	.	.	.	xijd.

##### Small Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The firken	.	.	.	.	.	xijd.
The pipken	.	.	.	.	.	vjd.

\* Marked as absent.

## Ale.

The dussen of Ale . . . . .	iiij <sup>s</sup> .
A full quart of the best Beere . . . . .	jd.
A full quart of the best Ale . . . . .	jd.
Two quartes of the small Beere . . . . .	jd.

Richard Savage for his misdemeanour towards Thomas Skynner and Joan his wief, fore lacke of sureties was committed to the Counter untill he finde sureties.

Henry, alias Justinian Currant and Henry Cowper for misdemeanour, beinge in the House of Correccion, uppon their promises of reformation were discharged.

Marye Addams, spinster, for misdemeanour, was comitted to the House of Correccion.

[p. 68.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

## Aldermen.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges\*, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

At this daye Mr. Maiour and the Aldermen<sup>5</sup>, called an accompt, what was become of, and where the common stocke of 3600*li*. was lent, or howe it was bestowed.

Vide librum pro computibus illis.

Assise proxime. Coram Richardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod xvij <sup>o</sup> die Maii, anno Domini, 1639, Johannes Adkyns, de Readinge, in comitatu Berk', barge-man, cognovit se debere dicto domino Regi 40 <i>li</i> ., etc. . . . .	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximas Assisas in Berk' ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc, etc.
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Memorandum, quod Johannes Man, de Marlowe, in com. Buck', laborer, tunc et ibidem cognovit se debere domino Regi xx*li*. quod ipse prosequatur ad proximas Assisas per direccionem domini Willelmo Jones, Militis, super petitionem dicti Johannis Man.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>5</sup> Alderman, MS.

Wensdaye, 22<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 69.] Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges \*, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

At this daye James Winche, being agayne convented, was required to paye in the 600*li*. in his handes of the common stocke ; said he had not money readye to paye, but said Mr. Pack and Mr. Thomas Newman wilbe bound with him to paye the money, &c. ; to whiche it was aunswered, that securitye would doe well, but it was not in the power of the Maiour and Companye to geve further daye of payment, but willed him to paye in the money fourthwith.

Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Tanfeild Vachell, Esq.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour	} Custodes Pacis infra Burgum.
Mr. Anthonye Brackston *	

Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jennings \*, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistentes:

Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Gilbert Brewer was chosen and apointed to be one of Sir Thomas Vachell's Almes-men in the roome and place of [*blank*] deceased, and shall have his gowne.

At this daye the pontage was graunted to Edward Symons, to hold from Midsomer next for one yeare, at xvj*li*. rent, paiable quarterlye, and one quarter's rent before-hand, viz<sup>t</sup>. iiii*li*. at Midsomer next.

Memorandum, to advise of what cartes pontage shalbe taken.

[p. 70.] Wensdaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Harrison made his accomptes of the 1050*li*. had of Mr. John Kendricke's common stocke to paye for the purchase of Grinower[?] Hill farme, and landes in Southstoke and Goringe, in com. Oxon', and by the particulers of th'accomptes it appeareth he had paid and laid out more then the 1050*li*.—1*li*. 9*s*. 6*d*.

And at this daye alsoe the said Mr. Harrison made his accomptes of the 190*li*. : he had to build 8 pest-houses with bricke and brick chimneys in the Cunditt Close, to place in the visited people, when occasion and need required. And by the particulers of th'accomptes it is found that he hath disbursed and laid out above the 190*li*.—2*li*. 9*s*. 1*d*. Vide le3 file.

Wensdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the difference and cause of action betwene Frauncis Thackham and Raphe Ewester was heard, and by the said *Maiour*

\* Marked as absent.

and Aldermen ordered, viz<sup>t</sup>, that the said Raphe Ewester shall paye iiij<sup>s</sup>. viij<sup>d</sup>. to Frauncis Thackham, in full payment of all debtes and reckonings, at or before this daye senight, and soe the accion to ceasse, and noe further proceedinge in Court.

Mr. Thomas Harrison and Mr. Constable Brackston are apointed to goe to Henley, to talke with Mr. William Cooke about the purchase of the landes and woodes in question.

22<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1639.

Then Mr. William Cooke, servant to Mr. Bulstrode Whitlocke, came to Mr. Maiour and there shewed to him and his Brethren a warrant from his Master to make sale of certen landes in Henley to any persone, &c., and then uppon fewe wordes refer'd untill Mondaye come fortnight for the meetinge at Henley, to viewe, bargayne and agree, if they can, and in the meane-tyme noe man to have any price of those landes, and if any thinge in the meane-tyme happen that the meetinge cannot be, then word to be sent to the other side, &c.

[p. 71.] Tuesdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Aldermen.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. John Jennings \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Harrison and Mr. Peter Burningham are apointed to goe to-morowe to Remnam and to Henley, to viewe the landes of Mr. Whitlocke and Mr. Salter that are offered to be sould, and to enquire of the severall and particuler values thereof at this present to be purchased.

And that the furnaces and the implementes to them, and all the loombes, rackes, tooles, and all other the implementes in or belonginge to the workhouse, shalbe fourthwith sould, by [*blank*].

Mr. Brackston and Mr. Christofer Turnour fourtwith to speake with James Winche about security and payment of the 600*li*. stocke in his handes.

\* Marked as absent.

Some speaches about the change of one lief in the lease of parte of the Ortes, late in Mr. Blake's occupacion. Refer'd untill a full meetinge.

Memorandum, a copie of the inventory of the goodes to be sould.

Wensdaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*, Thoma Turnour et Roberto Bent.

Memorandum, quod Henricus Nether-	} quod predictus Hen-
cliffe de, etc. assumpsit pro seipso sub	
pena 40 <i>li</i> .	
Willelmus Spenser de, etc. et Johannes	
Noble de, etc. manuceperunt separa-	} proximas post mor-
tim sub pena 20 <i>li</i> . per se .	
	} tem cujusdam Fraun-
	} cisci Barrett, si, etc.
	} Vide file, etc.

Assises.

Memorandum, Mr. Bent pro Johanne Noble pro parochia.

[p. 72.] Wensdaye, x<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Aldermen.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jenynges \*, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistentes.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge \*, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen \*.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. Chamberlyn shall chaunge one lief in the lease of his part of the Ortes, if he doe paye vj[s.?] and accept of the chaunge before Michaellmas next.

12<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639.

Then by Mr. Maiour's direccion I receaved an old deed of feoffment of William Wilmer, concerninge one small tenement in Frier Streete, in Readinge, whiche by Sir Edward Clerke's direccion

\* Marked as absent.



was left in the keepinge of the Maiour and Burgesses of Readinge untill Sir Edward should require it to be re-delivered, which was about ij yeares past, and I doe promise to bringe in agayne, . . . &c.

[signed] per Wa. Knight.

Wensdaye, 17<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges \*, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the Widowe Jones for some causes especially to have 30s. a yeare paid her quarterly, 7s. 6d. a quarter, duringe her lief, and to be freed from cariage of the criples; agreed that Mr. Mayour and the Company shall have her right and interest of and in the Cunditt Close, (excepting the grasse) till Christmastide next.

23<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639. I delivered and sent all bills of the tooles and shopstufte in the workehouse to Henry Adland for Mr. Brackston, Mr. Turner, and Mr. Thorne, to viewe.

[p. 73.] Wensdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*, and Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Steward.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistantes.

Thomas Thackham \*, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen \*.

As touchinge the payment of pontage for forreynours' cartes loaden with haye, goinge over any of the Bridges within the said Boroughe; at this daye it was ordered and agreed, that the Lord

\* Marked as absent.

Cravon, and every other owner, or farmer of any Meadowe groundes lyeing within the said Boroughe, whiche at all tymes doe contribute and paye, for and towards the relief of the poore and other taxes, scott and lott, within the said Boroughe, shalbe freed, and shall not paye any pontage for any cartes or waggons loaden with haye growen within the said Boroughe, whiche shall goe or be carryed over any of the said Bridges, to or for his, their, or any of their owne proper use or uses; but if, in case the Lord, or any other owner or farmor of any the said Meadowe grounds, shall sell the haye comming, groweing or arising upon the said Meadowe grounds to strangers or forreynours, which shall with cartes or waggons carrie the same haye over any of the said Bridges, every suche stranger or forreynour shall paye the pontage due and payeable accordinge to the true meaninge and intent of our Charter.

Whereas Symon Dye heretofore hath been willed or warned to expell, remove and ridd awaye one Widowe Fortye and her family, out of and from his house or tenement in Butcher Rowe, in Readinge, whereinto shee (beinge a forreynour) hath intruded to dwell, and by his allowance is there suffred to dwell in contempt of the governours and government of this Corporacion; at this daie it was ordered and agreed, that if the said Symon Dye shall not expell, remove and ridd awaye the said Widowe Fortie and her familie out of and from his said howse, at or before Bartholmewe daie next comminge, that then the said Symon Dye shall forfeite, loose and paye to the governours of this Corporacion the some of tenn poundes of lawfull money of England.

[p. 74.] Wensdaye, 31<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Sir Francis Knollis, senior, Knight, Sir Francis Knollis, junior, Knight, Thomas Manwaringe, Esq., Scenescallus.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges\*, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the Kinge's Majestie's writt requiringe payment of Shipmoney, and the High Sheriffe's warrant to leavye the money, were advised on and the money taxed accordinglye.

Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., Seneschallus.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison\*, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

At this daye Willyam Wilmer, senior, Walter Knight, Edward Wilmer and Richard Fortescue were agayne sworne, and did take oath severallye to doe and execute the office of the Attorneys of this Court, eache one for and by himself, accordinge to the oath written in the Blacke booke.

At this daye alsoe Mr. Maiour, and his Brethren the Aldermen, did agree to geve the Widowe Lovejoye in full satisfaccion for all her paynes taken in and about the visited people in this Towne in this last visitacion xls. in money, and cloth to make her a kirtle and a wascote, and their favour towards her two sonnes-in-lawe (beinge forreynours) about their fredome.

[p. 75.] Die Martis, 13<sup>o</sup> die Angusti, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xv<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Mainwaringe, Esq., Seneschallus.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jennynges\*, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daie Simon Dye was chosen to be one of the Assistantes of this Borough.

\* Marked as absent.

Die Martis, xx<sup>o</sup> die Augusti, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli, etc., xv<sup>to</sup>.

Aldermen.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jennings, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daie Christopher Blower, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne, junior, and Thomas Dewell were all sworne to doe the office of Assistantes of the said Borough.

Then alsoe Simon Dye was sworne to doe the office of an Assistant of the said Borough.

[p. 76.] Eleccion-daye, Mondaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1639, ac 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*, Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistantes.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, senior, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower \*, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

At this daye the said Maiour and Aldermen, by direccions of their Chartre, did nomynate and apoynte 3 of the said Aldermen to sitt in eleccion to th'intent and purpose that one of those 3, by the said Mayour, residue of the said Aldermen, and Assistantes, shalbe elected to be Maiour in and for the next yeare, as by their Chartre it is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

\* Marked as absent.

1. Mr. John Jennings, [20], Maiour elect.
2. Mr. Robert Dye.
3. Mr. Thomas Harison.

31<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1639. <sup>6</sup> Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, Johannes Humfrey,	} ad proximam Sessionem	
yeoman, pro se <i>xlii</i> .		} Pacis tenendam in
Thomas Hatrell		
Edward Browne	} separatim <i>vli</i> .	

2<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639. <sup>6</sup> Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Memorandum, quod Radul-	} quod compareat ad proximam	
phus Bentt alias Robertes,		} Sessionem Pacis tenendam in
butcher, cognovit <i>xlii</i> .		
Et Jacobus Berrey manuc' pro	} omnia que, etc. for abusing	
ipso sub pena <i>vli</i> .		} Mrs. Medcalfe, &c.

[p. 77.] Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. *xv*<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. John Jenyns, Maiour Elect, absent, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Antonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour \*, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye \*.

At this daye the said Maiour, Alderman and Burgesses, takinge into consideracion that the lymittes and boundes of this Boroughe being unknowne to . . . in succession of tyme would vanishe out of the fraile memorye of men, from whence contentions and discordes maye arise, with one assent and consent did agree to make perambulacion of the said Boroughe, in and by the outboundes and lymettes thereof mencioned and expressed in the Chartre, and did

<sup>6</sup> These two entries are crossed through in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

agree to make begininge thereof this daye in the after-noone. Performed accordinglye.

And at this daye alsoe, in regard that James Winche hath geven securitye by severall bondes to their good likinge for the true payment of 600*li.* uppon the feast-daye of St. Bartholo[me]we th'appostle, which shall come and be in the yeare of our Lord God 1644, at or in the Towne Hall in Readinge, it was condiscended and agreed that the said James Winche shall have and holde the dwellinge-house and all the roomes and liberties to the house, whiche nowe he holdeth in Readinge, from St. Bartholmewe daye last past, untill th'end and during the full tyme and terme of five yeares, at and for the yearly rent of x*li.* payable haulf yearly by equall portions.

[p. 78.] Die Mercurii, xj<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Manwaringe, Sceneschall, Mr. John Jenyns, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the Jurours for the last Lawdaye brought in and delivered their presentmentes accordinge to their direccions for inquirye, &c.

And then Mr. Steward and the iiij<sup>o</sup> Officers formerly sworne did affire, taxe and assesse the fines and amerciamentes accordinglye, &c.

And at this daye Mr. Maiour, the Clerke of the Markett, &c., in the sight and presence of all the said Jurours did assise and seale divers waightes and measures, brought in and presented before Mr. Mayor, beinge Clarke of the Markett within the Boroughe, &c.

Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639.

Aldermen.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. John Jennings, Maiour Elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye the Alehoukepers and Victlers were convented, and brought in their old licences and were granted new licences.

[p. 79.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 20 die Septembris, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaring, Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, Maiour Elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistentes.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turner, senior, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne\*, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

As touchinge the petitions preferred by the Sergeantes it is ordered and agreed that when the junior Sergeantes shall put in securitie for discharge of their offices, then they shall have further answer, &c.

And as touching the petitions of Mr. Robert Dye, William Wilmer and Richard Shawe, the thinges petitioned for are refer'd to the vieve of the Chamberlaines, before any leases shall be thereof graunted.

Agreed that John Frewin shall have a lease of the inclosed ground on the South side of St. Marie's churchyard, which is the Towne land, for xxj<sup>the</sup> yeares, for the yearely rent of vjs. viij<sup>d</sup>.

[Remarks, *in a later hand*.] Agreed alsoe that Mr. Wm. Turnour shall have a lease of 2 plottes of void ground, one upon the West side and the other on the East side of the gate on the South side of St. Marie's churchyard, for 99 yeares (if, &c.), at vjs. viij<sup>d</sup>. yearely rent.

Memorandum, the ground to be measured by the Cofferers.

A difference between William Winckles and Daniell Robertes his apprentice is refer'd to the next Quarter Sessions to be holden within this Borough.

\* Marked as absent.



Memorandum, uppon the Grocers' petition against Henry Bridgewater hee is forbidden to leave tradinge for himselfe within this Borough untill his apprenticeship be expired. But hee hath tyme given him to putt off his wares untill this daie moneth.

And it is agreed that Mr. Paule Cantrell's encroachment by his chimney standinge uppon the Towne grounds shalbe questioned, that hee may have a lease thereof.

The 100*li.* of Sir Thomas White's guift, which wilbe due at Michaelmas next is disposed as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>., for ten yeares to come.

To William Lowgrove, clothier	xxv <i>li.</i>	} to be due and repaid at Michellmas, 1649.
To William Stanton, clothier	xxv <i>li.</i>	
To Joseph East, clothier	xxv <i>li.</i>	
To William Kenton, clothier	xxv <i>li.</i>	

which 25*li.* laye in the handes of William Wilmer for lacke of securitye, untill the 29<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1630, and then by the Maiour and Companye disposed and lent to Richard Greenewaye, clothier, uppon securitye, as maye appeare, &c.

[p. 80.] Die Sabbati, 21<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639. Coram Ricardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*.

Then complaynt was made that murder was likely to be committed in the George backside, for there was fightinge ; whereuppon the Constables were presentlye called, and at their cominge to keepe the peace they found a number of people, amongst whiche some had their heades broken and cutt with swordes and staves, and some of the fighters and quarrellers gone. And beinge brought before the Maiour, upon examynacion, it appeared the quarrell arose about a dogge.

Thomas Soundey had a broken and cutt head, done by Mr. William Keate of Hagborne, proved by Symon Adrey of Readinge.

Memorandum, quod predictus Wil-	} ad comparendum ad proxi-
lelmus Keate cognovit se debere	
domino Regi xx <i>li.</i>	mas Assisas ad responden-
	dum ad omnia que, etc.

Et Rogerus Brent de Thruppe in com. Oxon, generosus, manucepit pro predicto Willclmo Keat sub pena x*li.* quod compareat, etc.

Ad Assisas proximas.

And that one Morrice Nashe in the same tumult had his head broken in suche sort that the blood was seene run about his eares.

And Mr. [blank] Libbe affirmeth that one [blank] Cumber of Tilehurst did that act, but the said Cumber was not then to be found.

And Richard Mace the surgion, then beinge sent for to dresse the parties, said there was noe danger of death at that tyme; &c. untill, &c.

[p. 81.] Wensdaye, 25 Septembris, 1639.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Mr. John Jeninges, Elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the two great bondes for payment of 1200*li*. by consent were delivered to James Winche.

Mondaye, 30 die Septembris, 1639, ac anno regni regis Caroli Anglie xv<sup>th</sup>, etc.

Mr. Richard Burren, *Maiour*. Thomas Manweringe, Esq., Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, Maiour Elect, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Anthonye Brackstone, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

Assistentes.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnor, senior, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnor, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

William Markham }  
William Thorne } gardiani pro Minster gard.

\* Marked as absent.

John Butler and }  
William Chesterman } gardiani pro London gard.

Robert Forman }  
William Plomridge } gardiani pro le Old ward.

Andrew Mace }  
Richard Thorne } gardiani pro le3 Nova garda.

At this daye and tyme Mr. John Jenyns, the newe elected Maiour, by direccion of the Chartre, in the presence of his predecessour Maiour and the residue of the Aldermen and Assistantes did take his Corporall oath

1. of Supremacie.
2. of Maiour and Justice of the Peace and Quorum within the Boroughe.
3. the oath of Clarke of the Markett.

And at this daye and tyme the said Mr. Richard Burren, the late Maiour, did take the oath of Justice of Peace for one yeare next ensueinge.

And at this daye and tyme the said newe Maiour, by and with the consent of his brethren the Aldermen, did name Mr. Peter Burningham and Thomas Thackham, one of the said Assistantes, to be the Chamberleyens of this Corporacion for this yeare next ensueinge.

And at this daye did name and appoynt Constables and Wardens for this yeare to come, viz<sup>t</sup>.

John Creed and }  
Andrew Wright } Constables, jurati.

John Perett and }  
Andrew Vivers } pro Alta garda.

[p. 82.] Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jenyns, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esquire, Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr.

\* Marked as absent.

John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye xs. was apointed to be geven to old John Lucas in charitye.

Lease. At this daye it was agreed that Willyam Gilbert, a gardynier, shall have and hold the Cunditt close, and all the Tenementes there, from Michailmas last for 1 yeare, and soe from yeare to yeare untill reasonable warninge be geven to the contrarye, or either side yeldinge *vñ.* per annum, quarterly xxvs., savinge at Christmas next, but xxs., because the grasse and herbage is excepted from him till then [?], provided alwayes when any occasion shall arise by reason of sicknes in the Towne, the said William Gilbert and all his tenantes shall remove and leave all the houses to Mr. Mayour to dispose of, &c., and the rent then to ceasse untill he reenter, &c. Uppon 3 dayes' warninge to be geven [?] he shall suffer noe straunger or forreyner to dwell there. William Gilbert shall repaire and preserve the doores, lockes, keyes, shuttinges, gates and moveables mencioned in a note to be made thereof by Mr. Harison.

At this daye the petition of neighbours concerninge the an-oyaunces at the old Yeldhall by swyne and donge was openly read, but refer'd to further consideracion.

Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in com. Berk'.

26<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1639. Coram Johanne Jeninges, generoso,  
*Majore.*

Memorandum, quod Thomas Grey de Padworth, clericus, cognovit se debere domino Regi *xxli.* ad proseguendum ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in com. Berk' versus Ursulam Bailey, viduam, George Bailey, her sonne, a vagraunt, et Richard Lane [?], sen., vagrant.

[Signed] Thomas Grey.

[p. 83.] Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jenyns, *Maiour.* Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq.,  
Sceneschall.

\* Marked as absent.

## Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the Law-daye and Quarter Sessions for this Boroughe were helde.

## Nomina Juratorum.

Mr. Christofer Blower, primus, jur'.

Edward Brackstone	} Affir- ers, jurati.	Thomas PIPPS	} jurati.
John Harrison		Edward Browne	
Henry Alright		John Wilder	
Gilbert Brackstone	} jurati.	Samuell Jemmatt	
John Backhouse		Walter Filmer	
Timothy Banister		Thomas Wilder	
John Redford		John Hatt	
John Webb		Bartholmewe Lake	

Their verdict to be geven in the Mondaye next after Midlent Sondaye, or before.

[p. 84.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \* [and] Mr. Richard Burren, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, senior, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

Henry Nethercliffe hath promised to ridd and remove his kinswoman and her childe within a moneth next, and, if she staye, the childe then to geve securitye to the Towne for the discharge of the Towne.

William Markham jur. gard'.

At this daye Richard Jones promised to carrye the cripples all this yeare at xijs. a . . . .

vjs. viij<sup>d</sup>. to James Hulberd of the encrease money, per consensu Aldermannorum.

Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., Sceneschall.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye Willyam Staunton required the payment of *iiij* *li.* allotted to him by order of the Court of Sessions of the Peace, held at Newberye, fourth of the money the Towne of Readinge oweth for gaole money to the Countye. Refer'd till the next meeting.

Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*, and Mr. Thomas Maynwardinge, Sceneschall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour \*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

At this daye Mr. Richard Burren brought in the quietus for the fee-farme due for the yeare he was *Maiour*, 1639.

At this daye it was complayned by an old woman affirminge she is the wife of Thomas Winfold of Shawe parishe, a horse corser, that he was late marryed to the Widowe Payne, of Readinge, at Newtowne, a moneth past.

Robert Richardson, clothworker, *xxli.* and [*blank*] shalbe bound to the Overseers of the poore to kepe her at home with her children and shall do her best.

Mabill Waight, widow.

[p. 85.] Mondaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1639.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Manwardinge, Sceneschall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye the said *Maiour* and Aldermen called accomptes of Mr. John Kendricke's stocke of 3600*li.*, and then itt appeared

\* Marked as absent.



where the said money was, and how the money to paye for the purchase of Mr. Whitlocke's land should be raised, as by bills of particulers upon the file appeareth.

Wensdaye, 13<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1639, et xv<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

At this daie Edward Haines, a forreynour, was complained of for selling of woollen cloth by retayle within this Boroughe. Whereupon itt is ordred that the penalties mencioned in the orders and constitucions of the said Borough shalbe leavyed upon his goodes, &c.

At this daie alsoe the differences betweene Richard Bagley and his wife, and William Jones and others, were examined, and by consent of the said parties refer'd to the Maiour and Aldermen to judge and determine the same. And thereupon the said Maiour and Aldermen did conclude and agree that the said Richard Bagly should pay to the said William Jones xxij*s*. in full satisfaccion of all accions, suits, losses, dammages, controversies and deedes betweene them, which xxij*s*. was then paid accordinglye. And all suites and accions concerning that busnes to cease, &c.

And at this daie alsoe it is ordered that Francis Tossell and Edward Wigmore, being noe freemen of this Corporacion, shalbe questioned for selling of wares within this Boroughe.

At this daie it is agreed that Henrie Tubb shalbe paid xii*s*. ix*d*. out of the money belonging to the House of Correccion, which hee laid out about Isaake Butler.

And at this daie alsoe it is ordered that William Sharparrowe and his wife shalbe called in question for sellenge of wares within this Borough on the Markett daies, and shalbe forbidden, and shall surcease to sell any wares within the said Boroughe at their perill.

\* Marked as absent.



[p. 86.] 28<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1639. Coram Richardo Burren, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Th'Accomptes of the fines and amerciamentes of the Law-daies and Clarke of the Markett this yeare were had and taken as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Received of Francis Thackham (in parte of payment) for the amerciamentes att the Lawe-daies and of the Clarke of the Markett . . .	<i>li. s. d.</i>
	18 18 0
Whereof was paid to the 2 Aletasters . . .	1 00 0
Item, given to John Jerome for his paines . . .	0 05 0
Item, given to the 3 hogheardes . . .	0 10 0
Item, given to Bartholmewe Lake for his paines . . .	0 10 0
Item, paid to Mr. Rogers for the amerciament role . . .	0 2 6
Item, paid to Francis Thackham for collecting the amerciamentes . . .	2 0 0
Item, paid for the Jurours' dynner . . .	0 12 0
	<hr/> 4 19 6 <hr/>
Item, paid for expences at this Accompt . . .	0 4 0
Item, paid to Edward Wilmer for writing th' Accompt . . .	0 2 6
Paid in all 5 <i>li.</i> 6 <i>s.</i> 0 <i>d.</i>	<hr/> 0 6 6 <sup>7</sup> <hr/>

Rest to the Cofferer 13*li.* 12*s.* 0*d.*

And the rest ungathered to the some of 4*li.* or more.

4<sup>o</sup> die Decembris, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Anthonye Brackston\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Robert Dye\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison\*, Mr. Peter Burningham\*.

<sup>7</sup> 'o' in the MS.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 87.] Wensday, 11<sup>th</sup> of Decembris, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaring, Seneschall.

Mr. Thomas Turner, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turner, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Braxton, Mr. Robert Dye, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham.

At this daye it was agreed that Mr. John Harrison, the Counsellor, shall ingrosse and make the lease to Mr. Whitlocke, as it is drawne to the good likinge of all the Companye present there, readye to be sealed.

At this daye the lettre from the Lord Archbishopps Grace to Mr. Maiour and his Brethren, to have the nomynacion of one of the Burgesses for the next Parliament, by his Majestie intended to be shortly holden, was openly read and by all agreed and graunted, and the aunswere refer'd to Mr. Steward to be fourth sent.

At this daye the petition of Mr. Robert Dye, one of the Aldermen, in regard of his age and other infirmities groweing upon him, was openly read, to be discharged and freed of his place and further service, whiche was refer'd untill another meeting. The petition on the file.

Memorandum, to warne John Pattison, junior, to bringe a newe suretye, in the name and place of his freind, decessed, or ells to repaye the xxv*li*.

Memorandum, John Jerome, the heyward, to have a newe coate.

At this daye Edward Wilmer, senior, one of the sonnes of Willyam Wilmer, senior, Towne-Clarke, and one of th'Attorneyes of this Court, did take his oath to execute and doe the office of Coroner in and for this Boroughe, &c. And it was then agreed, and by all the Companye promised, that he the said Coroner shall have all his charges borne and paid by the Hall, that he shall susteyne or beare in the execution of his office or attendance at Assises or Sessions. And farther then agreed and promised that he shall succeed and be Towne-Clarke after his father, and have suche wages and fees as his father nowe hath, keepinge the Hall

accomptes and bookes of the Hall, whiche his father doth attend and keepe.

Memorandum, the Chamberleyne for the Hall to bringe in their Accomptes to the Maiour and Aldermen for the yeare ended at Michaellmas last, uppon Mondaye next.

[p. 88.] Mondaye, the 16th daye of December, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie xv<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaringe, Esq., Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*; Mr. Thomas Harrison [and] Mr. Peter Burningham, Chamberleyne; Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye the Hall accomptes for the yeare Mr. Richard Burren was Maiour, viz<sup>t</sup>. from Mondaye next after Michaellmas-daye, 1638, untill Mondaye next after Michaellmas-daye, 1639, were made and geven uppe before the said Maiour and Aldermen by Mr. Thomas Harrison, the senior Chamberlyn, whoe had the charge therof, and was then by the Rent rolle charged as followeth.

Receiptes in theise, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Rentes certen . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Old quitrentes . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Rentes for incro[c]hmentes . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Readye money at the last accomptes . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Freedome money of apprentices . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Fynes of forreyners per composicionem . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Amerciamentes at ij Law-dayes and by the Clarke of the Markett . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Arrerages of rentes . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Herryottes due by death . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
Fines for leases in this yeare paid . . . . .	.	.	.	.	
					li. s. d.
					335 10 10

\* Marked as absent.

Paymentes	li.	s.	d.
Ordinarye, as apeareth . . .	145	8	2
Extraordinarye, as apeareth . . .	099	19	0
Paid in all	245	07	2
Rest to the Hall	090	03	8
Whereof then paid to Mr. Burningham, the succeedinge Chamberleyne . . .	50	0	0
Soe rest in th'Accomptante's handes untill the next accompt . . .	40	3	8
for other moneys by him laid out.			

[p. 89.] Quarter-day, Friday, xx<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1639, et xv<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaring, Esq., Seneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Robert Dye \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*.

Assistentes.

Thomas Thackham, George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnor, senior, William Brackstone \*, Edward Hamlin \*, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, junior \*, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye.

Lease. At this daye it was agreed that Richard Shawe shall have a newe lease of his house for xxj yeares at the old rent of xls. per annum, provided he shall not lett, sett, nor sell to any straunger without licence or consent, &c., and soe that he pull of the thatche and tyle his stable by Ladye-daye next.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Thackham was elected and did take oath to doe the office of one of the Aldermen of this Corporacion, in the steed and place of Mr. Robert Dye, late one of the Aldermen there.

At this daye alsoe by a unanimous consent it was agreed that Mr. John Dewell shall have his *v<sup>li</sup>*. paid him whiche formerlye he had disbursed in the Hall affaires.

\* Marked as absent.

And then alsoe it was ordered that from hencefourth noe Maiour of this Boroughe at anye tyme shall disburse any money in or about, or for the Hall busynes, without the consent of his Brethren the Aldermen for the tyme beinge.

At this daye the *iiij*/*li*. of Mr. Edward Kemishe's gift to *xxiiij* poore households *3s. 4d.* a-peice was paid in this manner :

To 8 in St. Lawrence parishe.

To 7 in St. Marye parishe.

To 9 in St. Giles' parishe.

And the *iiij*/*li*. of Mr. Edward Hamblen's guift to ten poore men *8s.* a-peice.

To 3 in St. Giles' parishe.

To 3 in St. Marie parishe.

To 4 in St. Lawrence parishe.

And the *x* shirtes and smockes of the gift of Mr. James Pococke were then delivered.

4 to the overseers of St. Giles' parishe.

3 to the overseers of St. Marye parishe.

3 to the overseers of St. Lawrence parishe.

Vide *le3* file for other thinges this daye in question and ended.

And then to Mistris' Swaddon's poore kindred in Readinge, as parte of Doctour Swaddon's gift, theise particulers to relieve them were ordered to be paid, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Willyam West . . . . . *vs.*

To Henry Mapleton's *ij* children . . . *vs.*

To Willyam West[*'s*] *ij* sisters . . . *iiij**s.*

To Widowe Page . . . . . *iiij**s.*

To dumbe Willyam's daughter, the } *iiij**s.*  
Widowe Hulbert . . . . . }

To Elizabeth Watmore . . . . . *ij**s.*

And to William Dawes for bringing } *ij**s.*  
Doctour Swaddon's rent from Great }  
Harwood in Buckinghamshire . }

[p. 90.] Mondaye, 30 die Decembris, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Scenes-chall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that warrant to summon xxiiij good men to serve at Sessions uppon Thursdaye next after xijth daye shalbe made.

At this daye lettres from the Erle of Holland, beinge High Steward of this Towne, for nomynacion of one of the Burgesses to serve at the next Parlyament, were openly read.

Monday, 6<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1639, et xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschal.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Ad Sessionem Pacis proximam post festum Pasche.

8<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1639. Coram Johanne Jeninges, *Majore*.

Johanne Breamer, the wief of Francis Breamer, of Pangborne, yeoman, complayneth against Henry Nethercliffe that she is afraid and goeth in feare of her lief and that he hath threatned to doe her some bodily harme, and prayeth securitye of the peace. Taken her corporall oath.

Memorandum, quod Henricus Nether-	} quod ipse compareat ad	
cliffe cognovit se debere domino		
Regi xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		
Thomas Spencer, etc. et Johannes		
Juden de, etc. manuc' separatim sub	} com. predicto ad re-	
pena x <i>li</i> . per se, etc. . . . .		
	spondendum ad omnia	
	que, etc. et quod interim.	

Henry Netherclea, Signum X dicti Thome Spenser.

Signum X dicti Johannis Juden.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 91.] Thursdays, the 9th day of Januarii, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli.

Mr. John Jenninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Seneschal.


Aldermen.


Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.



[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 92.] 13<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. Coram Johanne Jeninges, *Majore*.

Johannes Browne, de, etc.	} quod ipse personaliter comparabit ad
cognovit se debere	
domino Regi xxli. .	
Willelmus Goodalle, de,	
etc. et Willelmus Ben-	} proximam Sessionem Pacis in Burgo
nett, etc. manucep'	
pro ipso separatim in	
xxli. per se, etc. .	
	predicto tenendam post festum Na-
	tivitatis Johannis Baptiste proxi-
	imum, etc. ad etc., et quod interim
	se bene geret versus cunctum popu-
	lum, etc. et precipue versus Thomam
	Maynwaringe, armigerum.

Signum  dicti Johannis Browne.

Signum  dicti Willelmi Goodall.

Signum   dicti Willelmi Bennett.

Eodem die Jane Barfoote, uxor Johannis Barfoote, laborer, complaineth that Margaret Dewberye, vidua, hath beaten her, and threatneth to beate her more and doe her other harme to her bodye. Licon' per mediacionem amicorum.

Eodem die. Coram Johanne Jeninges, *Majore*, et Ricardo Burren, Justiciario.

\* Mr. William Turnour, complayneth that Richard Savadge, sheregrinder, in Mr. Turnour's house, hath beaten and misused him in wordes and deedes, and feareth he will doe him further harme,

\* Marked as absent.

\* This entry is crossed through in the MS.



soe that he is afraid to goe about his ordinarye busynes; prayeth securitye of the peace against him.

Cepit sacramentum suum. Conceditur.

Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis infra Burgum, etc.

<p>Ricardus Savage pro se cognovit se debere domino Regi xlii. . Willelmus Cawkott, de etc. et Willelmus Keele, de etc. manucep' pro predicto Ricardo Savage separatim sub pena xxli.</p>	}	<p>quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in et pro Burgo predicto post festum Sancti Johannis Baptiste proximum ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et quod interim teneat pacem domini Regis versus omnes cunctos populos, etc. et precipue versus predictum Willelmum Turnour, etc.</p>
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[p. 93.] Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> die Januarii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Sceneshall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren \*, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the Kinge's Majestie's writt for the leavyeing of 220*li.* towards the furnishing of a shippe of [*blank*] tun was openly read, and the instruccions alsoe.

Agreed to be assessed on Mondaye next.

Coram Johanne Jeninges, *Majore*.

This day Francis Knight paid xliiij*li.* more in parte of payment of William Blacknall's bond. [Signed] William Wilmer.

Anthony Howse of Readinge, servant to Wigmore Wigg, bargeman, charged with the begettinge of Elizabeth Pettye, spinster, with childe, of whiche she complayned.

Ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in et pro Burgo.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, quod 15 <sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1639,	} quod compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis Burgi tenendam ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. et interim [teneat] pacem domini Regis, et, etc.
Anthony Howse cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	
Wigmore Quicke, de etc. et Abraham Watkyns, de etc. manucep'	
separatim sub pena x <i>li</i> . per se	

Antonye House X his marke ; Widmore Quicke ;  
Abraham Watkins.

18<sup>o</sup> Januarii, 1639, ac xv<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.  
Coram Johanne Jeninges, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

By vertue of a warrant under the hand and seale of Sir John Bramston, Lord Cheiffe Justice of England, the Constables of Reading did apprehend one Phillipp Barklett, the reputed father of a bastard childe, borne on the bodye of Elizabeth Dutche, single woman, in the parishe of St. Ellyn's in Abingdon, like to proove chargeable to the said parishe, and by direccions of the said warrant bound him over, &c.

<sup>o</sup> Memorandum, quod Phillippus Barklett, de etc. cognovit se debere domino Regi xx <i>li</i> .	} quod ipse predictus Phillippus personaliter comparabit ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam in com. Berk' ad respondendum ad omnia que tunc et ibidem obijciuntur versus eum, etc.
Roger Frewin, de etc. et Johannes Bradfeilde, de Reading, etc. manuceperunt pro ipso separatim per se sub pena x <i>li</i> ., uterque eorum	

Sessio Pacis proxime tenenda in com. Berk' ad respondendum.

[p. 94.] Mondaye, 20 Januarii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 15<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Scenes-chall.

Mr. Thomas Turner, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christopher Turner, Mr. John Ne[w]man, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham. [The date 'Jan. 29<sup>o</sup>' also appears against these names.]

<sup>o</sup> This entry is crossed through in the MS.

Assises. At this daye the 3 men, whiche the Constables arrested upon suspition of robberye, by reason of a hue and crye, in their handes, after their severall examinacions taken, were committed to the Gaole, and their horses and weapons seised for the Kinge and kept, at Mr. Maiour's apoyntment.

[p. 95.] Fridaye, 30 Januarii, 1639.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Sceneschall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Att this daye the Ship-money was assessed and agreed to be collected accordinge to the direccions of the Kinge's writtes.

Att this day alsoe Mr. Thomas Lydall his lettre was answered by Mr. Mayor, with consent of this Company, touchinge the eleccion of him to be their Towne Counsell.

Wensdaye, the 5 of February, 1639.

Mr. John Jennings, *Mayour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye the Assessment of the 22*0*li. required to be paid by th'inhabitants and land-holders within the Boroughe was assessed towards the furnishing of one Shippe of warre of 320 tonn, with men and municion, &c.

David Elkes and Samuell Johnson, Collectours.

The ratement for Coley farme to this payment is to be charged in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

The Lady Vachell for 265 acres of land, parcell of	} 10 <i>0</i> li.
the said farme . . . . . 5 15 0	
Mr. Tanfeild Vachell for 197 acres of land 4 05 0	

\* Marked as absent.







And if the wholle farme be taxed at 4*/i*.

Then the Ladye to paye 46*s*.

Mr. Tanfeild Vachell to pay 34*s*.

And soe after that rate, be the taxe more or lesse.

Verte folium.

[p. 96.] Wensdaye, 5th Februarii, 1639.

At this daye Mr. Burren made accompte of all the money collected for relief of the visited people in the yeare he was Maiour, and uppon that accompt, (all thinges paid and discharged by meanes of Sir Henry Martin's guift of xx*li*.) there remayned in his handes xij*li*. xi*s*., whiche he then paid to the . . . . towards the buylding of the pest houses, beinge then built with money borrowed of Mr. John Kendricke's stocke.

And for the particulers expended about the visited people, see the bills concerning the visited people.

And alsoe Mr. Burren did then paye to William Wilmer that xxx*s*. he had of John Cule for increase money (savage v*s*., whiche was paid for carriage of money to London), soe he to accompt for xxiii*s*. thereof in his generall accomptes of increase money.

And at this daye alsoe Mr. Thomas Harrison made his accomptes for and concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's money which was paid for the purchase of part of Mr. Whitlocke's landes, and it appeared that he had laid out more money then he receaved by 35*li*. 4*s*. 10*d*., whiche 35*li*. 4*s*. 10*d*. was allowed him out of the 40*li*. 3*s*. 8*d*., whiche was remayninge in his handes uppon the Hall accomptes at his leavinge his office of Cofferer, and then Mr. Harrison did owe to the Hall accomptes 4*li*. 18*s*. 10*d*., which was apoynted to be paid the Cofferer.

[p. 97.] Wensdaye, the 26th daie of February, 1639.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., Seneschallus.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnor\*, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham\*,

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye the Inholders, Victlers, Tavernours, Butchers and Cookes were bound for the observacion of Lent, accordinge to the Kinge's Majestie's lawes and proclamacions.

High Ward.		<sup>1</sup> Thomas Symons, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
George Dewell, pro se		Johannes Gately, in	<i>vli.</i>
Abraham Garnett, in	<i>xli.</i>	Richardus Markeham, in	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Swayne, in	<i>xli.</i>		
		<sup>1</sup> Joanna Hall, vidua, in	<i>xli.</i>
Willyam King, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>	William White, in	<i>vli.</i>
William Evered, in	<i>vli.</i>	William Wright, in	<i>vli.</i>
Phillip Shiler, in	<i>vli.</i>		
		<sup>1</sup> Thomas Cole, in	<i>xli.</i>
<sup>1</sup> William Evered, pro se,		Richardus Hollowaye, in	<i>vli.</i>
in	<i>xli.</i>	William Vindge, in	<i>vli.</i>
William Kinge, in	<i>vli.</i>		
Nicholas Middleton, pro		<sup>1</sup> William Wright, butcher,	
se, in	<i>vli.</i>	in	<i>vli.</i>
		Henricus Creed, in	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>1</sup> Nicholas Middleton, pro		Edwardus Creed, in	<i>vli.</i>
se, in	<i>xli.</i>		
William Evered, in	<i>vli.</i>	<sup>1</sup> Edwardus Creed, in	<i>xli.</i>
Galfridus Ward, in	<i>vli.</i>	Henricus Creed, in	<i>vli.</i>
		William Wright, in	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>1</sup> Galfridus Ward, pro se,		<sup>1</sup> Henricus Creed, in	<i>xli.</i>
in	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Creed, in	<i>vli.</i>
Nicholas Middleton, in	<i>vli.</i>	William Wright, in	<i>vli.</i>
William Evered, in	<i>vli.</i>		
		Jo. Wooddārd, in	<i>xli.</i>
<sup>1</sup> Johannes Tither, pro se,		Jo. Collyns, in	<i>vli.</i>
in	<i>xli.</i>	William Vindge, in	<i>vli.</i>
Samuel Liford, in	<i>vli.</i>		
Georgius Porchmouth,		[p. 98.] <sup>1</sup> Johannes Porter,	
in	<i>vli.</i>	sen.	<i>xli.</i>
		William Vindge, in	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>1</sup> Johannes Swaine, pro se,		Robertus Vindge, in	<i>vli.</i>
in	<i>xli.</i>		
Phillippus Shiler, in	<i>vli.</i>	<sup>1</sup> Johannes Sawyer, in	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Reynolls, in	<i>vli.</i>	William Fellowes, in	<i>vli.</i>
		Richardus Channell, in	<i>vli.</i>

<sup>1</sup> Solverunt, written over each set of names.



<sup>2</sup> William Fellowes, pro se, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Thomas Purdue, in . . . xli.
Jo. Sawyer, in . . . vli.	Richardus Underwood, in . . . vli.
Richardus Chanell, in . . . vli.	Johannes Gateley, in . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Richardus Chanell, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Johannes Gateley, pro se, in . . . . . xli.
Jo. Sawyer, in . . . vli.	Richardus Underwood, in . . . vli.
William Fellowes, in . . . vli.	Thomas Purdue . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Thomas Mattingley, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Johannes Backhowse, in . . . xli.
William Vindge, in . . . vli.	Richardus Walker, in . . . vli.
Robert Vindge, in . . . vli.	Jo. Pinnocke, in . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Jo. Collyns, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Richardus Walker, in . . . xli.
Jo. Wooddard, in . . . vli.	Jo. Backhowse, in . . . vli.
William Vindge, in . . . vli.	Jo. Pinnocke, in . . . vli.
William Vindge, pro se, in . . . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Jo. Pinnocke, in . . . vli.
Jo. Collins, in . . . vli.	Richardus Walker, in . . . vli.
Jo. Wooddard, in . . . vli.	Jo. Backhowse, in . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Robert Vindge, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Johannes Purdue . . . xli.
William Vindge, in . . . vli.	Thomas Purdue . . . vli.
Jo. Collins, in . . . vli.	Ricardus Hollowaye . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Richardus Markeham, in . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Phillippus Shiler . . . xli.
Johannes Humfrey . . . vli.	Richardus Reynolls . . . vli.
Humfridus Huse . . . vli.	William Cooper . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Samuel Liford, in . . . vli.	<sup>2</sup> William Cooper . . . xli.
Jo. Tither, in . . . vli.	Phillippus Shiler . . . vli.
George Porchmore [ <i>sic</i> ] in . . . . . vli.	Richardus Reynells . . . vli.
<sup>2</sup> Richardus Underwood, in . . . . . xli.	<sup>2</sup> Margaret Holmes . . . xli.
Johannes Gateley, in . . . vli.	Phillip Shiler . . . vli.
Thomas Purdue, in . . . vli.	William Cooper . . . vli.
	<sup>2</sup> William Hulbert, in . . . xli.
	William Cooper, in . . . vli.
	Richardus Hollowaye, in . . . vli.

<sup>2</sup> *Solvent*, to these sets of names.

<sup>3</sup> Richardus Reynolls, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Towne, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Phillip Shiler .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus White, in .	<i>vli.</i>
William Cooper .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Wilmer, sen., in	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Richardus Hollowaye .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Parsons, butcher,	
William Hulbert .	<i>vli.</i>	in .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Cole .	<i>vli.</i>	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Martin Bond, vidua .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Jones, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jo. Humfrey .	<i>vli.</i>	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>xli.</i>
George Porchmore .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Parsons .	<i>vli.</i>
[p. 99.] <sup>3</sup> Johannes Humfrey,		Edwardus Jones, in .	<i>vli.</i>
in .	<i>xli.</i>	Edwardus Jones, pro se, in	<i>xli.</i>
Georgius Porchmouth		Ricardus Parsons .	<i>vli.</i>
[sic] .	<i>vli.</i>	Jacobus Berrey .	<i>vli.</i>
Jo. Tither .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spencer, in .	<i>xli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Georgius Porchmore .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Miland, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Jo. Humfrey .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Cranedge .	<i>vli.</i>
Jo. Tither, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Henricus Eyres, in .	<i>xli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Humfridus Huse, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Johannes Burren .	<i>xli.</i>
Richardus Markeham, in	<i>vli.</i>	Abraham Rowse .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Humfrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Paine Cantrell.	
<sup>3</sup> Isacus Treherne, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Henricus Eyres, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Wigmore Quicke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Abraham Rowse .	<i>vli.</i>
Richardus Barnes, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Johannes Burren, in .	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Wigmore Quicke, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Miland, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Isacus Treherne, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spencer .	<i>vli.</i>
Richardus Barnes, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Cranedge, in .	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Richardus Barnes, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Cranedge, sen., in	<i>xli.</i>
Isacus Treherne, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Jacobus Berrey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Wigmore Quicke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Ricardus Parsons, in .	<i>vli.</i>
<sup>3</sup> Isacus Yorke, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Ricardus Cranedge, jun., in	<i>xli.</i>
Isacus Treherne, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Spencer, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Wigmore Quicke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Miland, in .	<i>vli.</i>
39s. received.			

<sup>3</sup> *Solverunt*, to these sets of names.

Jerome Pococke, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Higgins .	<i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>vli.</i>	William Turnor .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Dey, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Andrew Mace .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pococke, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Baker .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Dey, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Nath. Blacknall .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Dey, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Baker .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pococke .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symons .	<i>vli.</i>	Nath. Blacknall .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Symons, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Nath. Blacknall .	<i>xli.</i>
Jerome Pococke [ <i>sic</i> ] <i>xli.</i>		Thomas Baker .	<i>vli.</i>
Johannes Dey, in .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>vli.</i>
pro Johanne Tompson.		Thomas Baker, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Andrew Vivers, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Spencer .	<i>xli.</i>	pro Henrico Rowse.	
pro Johanne Milsopp.		Thomas Baker, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Spencer, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Spencer, in .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Edwardo Kirson.	
Ricardus Cranedge, jun. <i>vli.</i>		Thomas Baker .	<i>xli.</i>
[p. 100.] Willelmus Spencer <i>xli.</i>		Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Ricardus Cranedge, jun. <i>xli.</i>		pro Henrico Cleere.	
pro Johanne Noble.		Silvanus Ireland, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Johnson, in .	<i>xli.</i>	Andrew Mace .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Holloway .	<i>vli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>vli.</i>
Willelmus Speed .	<i>vli.</i>	Silvanus Ireland, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Edwardus Holloway .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Johnson .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Nicholao Coplin.	
Willelmus Speed .	<i>vli.</i>	Willelmus Speed, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Willelmus Speed .	<i>xli.</i>	Thomas Streete .	<i>xli.</i>
Johannes Johnson .	<i>vli.</i>	pro Henrico Molins.	
Edwardus Hollowaye .	<i>vli.</i>		
Willelmus Turnour .	<i>xli.</i>		
Thomas Spencer .	<i>vli.</i>		
Ricardus Cranedge .	<i>vli.</i>		

Thomas Hatton, pro se,	Roger Symons, pro se, in .	<i>xli.</i>
in .	Bennett Bailey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Edwardus Wilmer, jun. <i>vli.</i>	Thomas Tovey, in .	<i>vli.</i>
Andrewe Mace . <i>vli.</i>		
Received more 21s. 6d.	Henry Bird.	
besides 4s. for charges.		
Bennet Bailey, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>	Lucas Jenever, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Thomas Tovey, in . <i>vli.</i>	Clement Smith, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Roger Symons, in . <i>vli.</i>	pro Johanne Clifford.	
Thomas Tovey, pro se, in <i>xli.</i>	Johannes Poore, in .	<i>xli.</i>
Bennett Bailey, in . <i>vli.</i>	Clement Smith .	<i>vli.</i>
Roger Symons, in . <i>vli.</i>	Johannes Jerome .	<i>vli.</i>

4<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1639. Received more, 5s.

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[p. 102.] Quarter-daye, die Veneris, 28<sup>o</sup> Februarii, 1639, et 15<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

#### Assistentes.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, William Turnor, senior, William Brackston, Edward Hamlin, Christofer Blower, William Turnour\*, junior, George Thorne\*, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

At this daye Abraham Paise was elected by the said *Maiour*, Aldermen and Burgesses, and Mr. Tanfield Vachell, to be one of Sir Thomas Vachell's Almes-men, in the roome and place of Nicholas Bailey, late deceased.

At this daye it was agreed that John Lessen, the cooke, soe longe as he shall behave him-self well and honestlye, he shall have 40s. per annum paid him, xs. a quarter out of the Charitable uses, by the junior Chamberleyne, and his first payment shalle begin at Lady-day next.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye William Wilmer, senior, was apoynted to paye to John Milsopp, the plommer, 42s. 6d. out of the Ospitall accomptes due to him for worke about the Gaole.

Roger Jaques requested a lease of a void plott of ground in Crowne Lane. Refer'd to the viewe and consideracion of the Chamberleyne.

At this daye Mr. Robert Malthus made earnest request againe to be dismissed of his place and service in the Hall, the whiche was very muche intreated the contrary ; yett uppon his importunate sute, of whiche he would not be denyed, the Companye agreed that, seinge he would not be denyed, they sett his fine at x*li*. to be paid fourthwith, otherwise to hould his place at his choise.

Th'Assises and Gaole deliverye for this Cowntyte holden at Abingdon, uppon Mondaye, the ixth of Marche, 1639.

[p. 103.] Wensdaye, xj<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1639, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Buringham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Maynwaring was elected to be one of the twelve Assistants of this Corporacion, and did take his oath to doe the office accordingly.

20<sup>o</sup> die Martii, 1639.

The prices of Ale and Beere to be offer'd and sould within this Boroughe.

Double Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	viijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The firken	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The pipken	.	.	.	.	.	xij <i>d</i> .

Small Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The firken	.	.	.	.	.	xij <i>d</i> .
The pipken	.	.	.	.	.	vj <i>d</i> .

\* Marked as absent.



Sir John Berkley, Knight, a Burgesse for the Parlyament.

Yea, *iiiiiiiiiiiiiiii* [16], per maiorem partem electus.

Noe. He is a stranger and can be no freind to the Towne,  
*iiiiiii* [6].

[p. 105.] Tuesdaye, 24<sup>o</sup> Martii, 1639, et anno regni regis Caroli Anglie xv<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 30 Martii, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye 9 of the old Chartres were taken out of chest to be sent to London by Thomas Walker, the carryer.

[p. 106.] Wednesdaye, the first of Aprill, 1640, and xvj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christopher Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistantes.

Thomas Maynewaring, Esq., George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour \*, senior, William Brackstone \*, Edward Hamlin \*, Christopher Blower, William Turnour \*, junior, George Thorne \*, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye \*.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye the choise of the three poore Maid-servantes to cast the lottes for the xx nobles upon Good-Friday next was in this manner for each parishe one, accordinge to the will of the donor, videlicet,

1. Margaret White, servant to Mr. Alexander Blagrove  
x yeares at Lady-day, 1639 ; St. Mary parishe.
2. Judith Wills, servant to Mrs. Morley x yeares, in St.  
Lawrence parishe.
3. Elizabeth Lane, servant to Mr. Thomas Turnour viij  
yeares at Midsomer next, in St. Giles' parishe.

[p. 107.] Good-Fridaye, 3<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, Willyam Turner \*, senior, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen \*, Christofer Blower \*, Willyam Turnour \*, junior, George Thorne \*, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

The 3 poore Maid-servantes elected to cast the lottes this daye.

1 For St. Lawrence parishe, Judith Willis	17.
1 For St. Marye parishe, Margaret White	10.
1 For St. Giles' parishe, Elizabeth Lane	13.

Memorandum, this is the fourth yeare towards the vth yeare for Southcott.

Memorandum, this daye Tobye Marten, the assigne of Mr. Joseph Blagrove (per manus Richardi Burren, generosi), paid the x*li*. to the said Maiour, Aldermen and Burgesses, in a newe purse of leather, according to Mr. John Blagrove's will, and it was this daye, as the will directeth, distributed and paid in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Judith Willis that woone the lott	. v <i>lj</i> . xiijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Wardens of St. Lawrence Church	. xxxs.
To the Wardens of St. Marye Church	. xxxs.

\* Marked as absent.

To the Wardens of St. Giles' Church	.	vjs.
To the Preacher that daye	.	xs.
To the Junior Churchwarden	.	iijs. iiij <i>d</i> .
To the Clarke and Sexten	.	vjs. viij <i>d</i> .

At this daye alsoe the iiij*l*. of Mr. William Brackston's gift by direccions of his last will was distributed in this manner.

To 60 poore weomen in St. Marye parishe	.	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Lawrence	.	xxs.
To 60 poore weomen in St. Giles	.	xxs.
To 20 poore laboringe men xij <i>d</i> . a-peice	.	xxs.

At this daye alsoe the iiij*l*. of the gift of Mr. William Legge was distributed to xxiiij poore housholders, 3*s*. 4*d*. a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To 8 in St. Marye parishe	.	xxvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
To 8 in St. Lawrence	.	xxvjs. viij <i>d</i> .
To 8 in St. Giles' parishe	.	xxvjs. viij <i>d</i> .

At this daye alsoe the iij*l*. of the former guift of Marye Worsley, widowe, was distributed to 60 poore widowes, 12*d*. a-peice, viz<sup>t</sup>.

In St. Giles' parishe	25.
In St. Lawrence parishe	25.
In St. Marye parishe	10.

[p. 108.] Wensdaye, 8<sup>o</sup> die Aprilis, 1640, ac 16 regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe.

Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour, senior, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour \*, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 20<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, senior, William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower \*, William Turnour \*, junior, George Thorne \*, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye \*.

Mondaye, 20<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1640. At this daye the Law-daye was holden for this Boroughe.

The names of the Jurours underwritten :

Mr. William Turnour,	} Affir- ers, jurati.	Thomas Froome [?]	} jurati.
senior, primus		Augustine Bartlett	
Richard Alright		John Baker	
James Willys, senior		Hughe Smyth	
Richard Seeley		Joell Stevens	
Humfrey Milles	} jurati.	Richard Stevens	
John Pynnocke		William Goodale	
Richard Wheeler		Nathaniell Chandler	
Mathewe Lewarden		Moses Willys	

Verdict primo Julii prox'.

p. 109.] Tuesdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1640.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman \*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnor \*, junior, George Thorne \*, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye \*.

Att this day a second warrant from the High Sheriffe of the Countie of Berkes for summoninge of two Burgesses to the Parliament begun the xiiij<sup>th</sup> day of Aprill last, in the roome and place

\* Marked as absent.

of Mr. Edward Herbert, his Majestie's generall Solliciter, and of Sir John Berkeley, Knight, was openly read, and did then resolve to consider of itt untill to-morrowe morninge ten of the clocke.

Wensdaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Aprilis, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

The said Maiour, Aldermen and Assistantes appeared and proceeded with their eleccions accordinge to their precept, but in regard of the great number of the Cominaltye of the Boroughe the said Maiour, Aldermen and Burgesses could not then finishe their eleccion at that tyme.

Thursdaye, 30 of Aprill, 1640.

Mr. John Jennings, *Mayor*. Mr. Thomas Turnor \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Thomas Harrison \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*. Mr. Thomas Thackham.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker \*, William Turnor \*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen \*, Christofer Blower, William Turnor \*, junior, George Thorne \*, junior, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dee \*.

The said Maiour, Aldermen and Burgesses did then in their Counsell-Chamber congregate them-selves with purpose to finishe their eleccion of the two Burgesses for Reading, to be in the Parliament nowe holden at Westminster. After many speaches had about the eleccion, the said Maiour and Aldermen to ceasse the crye of the Cominaltye, and to have their elleccion effected and cer[t]ified accordinge to their precept, went into the Common Hall, there read his precept for that purpose and made it knowne to the people that he and his Company had put in eleccion to be the two Burgesses,

Sir Francis Knollis, senior, [17] et multos alios.

Sir Robert Heath, Knight, and

Sir Francis Knollis, [21] et multos alios, and by the majour voice.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 110.] Wensdaye, 6 Maii, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

[No business recorded for this day, nor any mark against the names.]

Thursdaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1640.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaringe, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Christofer Blower, Thomas Dewell.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 111.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 29<sup>o</sup> Maii, 1640, ac anno regni regis Caroli xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jenynges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistentes.

Thomas Maynewaringe, Esquire, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, Willyam Turnor, Willyam Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell\*, Symon Dee.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye divers petitions were exhibited, openly read and were answered respectively, &c., as appeares in the foote of each of them upon the file.

At this day alsoe it was agreed that Roger Symons shall have 5*l*. of Mr. Marten's money for the placinge of his sonne apprentice to Thomas Peppes, givinge securitie for repayment thereof, accordinge to the former order.

Att this day alsoe it was agreed that Roger Jaques, bricklayer, shall have lent to him 5*l*. of Mr. R. Johnson's money to take a poore apprentice, givinge good securitie for repayment thereof.

Att this day alsoe itt was agreed that Willyam Webb, a maulster, beinge a forreyner, shall paye for his freedome to be a maulster within the Borough iij*l*. in money, within one moneth.

Att this day alsoe itt was agreed that Richard Greenway, a poore young clothier within the Towne, shall have the 25*l*. formerly granted to William Kenton, beinge parte of Sir Thomas White's money, he givinge good securitie.

Memorandum, Andrewe Mafforlyn to have vi*l*. of Mr. Marten's money to bynd his sonne apprentice, givinge securitye to repaye, etc. Vide son petition.

[p. 112.] Wensdaye, x<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1640.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Mondaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Junii, 1640, et 16<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli, etc.

Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham\*.

\* Marked as absent.

## Assistentes.

Thomas Maynewaringe\*, Esq., George Wooldridge, Richard Jeyes, Edward Baker, Willyam Turnour\*, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen\*, Christofer Blower\*, William Turnour\*, junior, George Thorne\*, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

At this day Willyam White, cloth-worker in St. Marye parishe, was by the said Maiour and Burgesses named and apoynted to have the Almes-house that Guilbert Brewer deceased late had of the gift of Sir Thomas Vachell.

At this daye alsoe the differences growne betwene Robert Westmerland and his apprentice, John Hill, were examyoned, heard and agreed betwixt them in this manner, viz<sup>t</sup>. The said John Hill shall serve the said Robert Westmerland untill St. James' daye next comminge, at and for 5s. the weeke; and John Hill then to geve his Master securitye to paye him iij*l*. in money after the rate of xvij*d*. the weeke, and to be free from his Master.

John Marten, the mason, was named by John Hill to be his suretye.

And at this daye alsoe Mr. Maiour requested the advise of the Aldermen and Burgesses there beinge what should be his best course to have the Shipmoney paid.

[p. 113.] Tuesdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the lease of Grenemore Hill, and the landes thereunto belonginge was sealed and delivered to Henry Benwell.

Wensdaye, 15<sup>o</sup> Julii, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esq., Sceneschall. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent\*,

\* Marked as absent.



Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne \*, Mr. Anthonye Brackston \*  
Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye the charitable guift of that memorable and worthie gentleman, Mr. John Packer, of 5 quarters of good wheate to relieve the workinge poore people of this Towne, was distributed into the 3 parishes and delivered to the Overseers of the poore of eache parishe, by them to be bestowed amongst their<sup>4</sup> poore there as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Mr. John Dewell, Clement Marlowe and Thomas Cope, overseers for the poore in the parishe . . . . .	} of St. Lawrence, xv bushells.
To Mr. William Turnor and Richard Alright, overseers for the poore in the parishe . . . . .	} of St. Marye, xj bushells.
To Thomas Bateman and Thomas Stocke, overseers for the poore in the parishe . . . . .	} of St. Giles, xiiij bushells.

And that Thomas Higden, baker, and Ferdinando Hulyns, tobacco-pipe-maker, shalbe sureties for the repayment of the  $v\frac{1}{2}$ . lent to Roger Jaques, bricklayer, with his apprentice, at th'end of the terme of yeres the apprentice is by indenture bound.

And that Andrewe Mafferlyn's petition for the placinge of one of his children to be apprentice to George Curtis, weaver, shalbe performed, prout, etc.

16 Julii, 1640.

Apoyned that John Wylder and John Boddye, beinge the men to end the differences of the reparacions of Greenemore Hill house and boundes, and the differences thereof betwixt the Corporacion, nowe lordes thereof, and Mr. Henry Whistler, the present tenaunt thereof, shall meete at the Town-hall in Readinge uppon Wensdaye come senight, viz<sup>t</sup>. 29 Julii, 1640, and then and there make a fynall end of the differences.

[p. 114.] Wensday, the 29th of July, 1640, anno regni regis Caroli 16<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jennings, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaring, Esq.,  
Seneschall.

\* Marked as absent.

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Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Thomas Harrison\*, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 12<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneshall.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne\*, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Edward Haynes was convented to paye his amercia-  
mentes. He craved tyme to consider of it. Allowed till next  
Wensdaye.

[p. 115.] Wensdaye, 19<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Steward, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

21<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie  
etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Bent.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 26<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1640.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneshall. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Mal-

\* Marked as absent.

thus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent \*, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

[p. 116.] Eleccion-daye, die Lune, 31<sup>o</sup> Augusti, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 16<sup>o</sup>.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, absent, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Thomas Harison, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Thomas Maynewaringe, Esquire.

#### Assistentes.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, absent, Edward Baker, absent, William Turnour, senior, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, absent, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, junior, George Thorne, junior, Thomas Dewell, absent, Symon Dye.

At this daye the said *Maiour* and Aldermen by direccions of their Chartre did nomynate and appointe 3 of the said Aldermen to sitt in eleccion this daye, to th'intent and purpose that one of those 3 by the said *Maiour* and residue of the said Aldermen and Assistantes present shalbe elected to be *Maiour*, in and for the next yeare, as in [and] by their Chartre it is required, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. Thomas Harrison | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | [17], Mayor elect.
2. Mr. Peter Burningham.
3. Mr. Thomas Thackham.

And at this daye alsoe the said *Maiour* and Aldermen did name and apoynt two Chamberleyne for the next yeare, as the chartre requireth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. Mr. Thomas Thackham.
2. Mr. Richard Jayes.

At this daye Mr. Robert Dye brought into the Hall a silver flagon, weighing 40 ounces, in lieu of the *xlii*. imposed uppon him,

\* Marked as absent.

for his dismissal of his place of being one of the Aldermen of this Corporacion, whiche flagon was then sent into the keepinge of Mr. Maiour.

At this daye the petition of Edward Symons concerninge the abatement of the rent for pontage, &c. was read, but the aunswere thereof is refer'd untill the next Quarter-daye.

Agreed that the two Chamberlynes shall agayne view Mr. Dye's stable and at the next Quarter-daye certifye the yearly value thereof.

Memorandum, to consider the Sawpittes and the use of them.

[p. 117.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Harison, Maiour elect, Mr. Thomas Tornour \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

At this daye it was agreed that, towards the chardges and relief of the poore visited people and their poore neighbours, a taxe of xvj weekes payment by the Colleccion-booke shalbe fourth-with leavyed.

And at this daye all the Chartres and divers other boxes with deedes and writinges in them were put into the newe Chest.

Fridaye, 11<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1640.

Mr John Jeninges, *Mayour*. Thomas Maynewaringe, Esquire.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, Mayour elect, Mr. Thomas Turnor, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Maulthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham \*.

[No business recorded for this day.]

Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 16<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Scenes-chall. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Thomas

\* Marked as absent.



Harrison, Maior elect, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman\*, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye divers licenses for Alehouses and Victuallers were renewed untill Aprill next, under suche . . . and condicions as are therein expressed, &c.

At this daye John Creed one of the Constables made complaynt that Joseph Stockwell had abused and done him wrong aswell in wordes as deedes, &c. Vide lē file.

Sessio Pacis infra Burgum. Memo-	}	quod compareat ad proxi-
randum, quod Josephus Stock-		nam Sessionem Pacis
well cognovit se debere domino	}	tenendam in et pro
Regi xx <i>li</i> . . . . .		Burgo de Readinge, etc.
Phillis Stockwell, vidua, et Jo-	}	ad respondendum ad
hannes Perott, habberdasher, se-		omnia que tunc, etc. et
paratim manuceperunt pro ipso	}	quod interim se bene
sub pena x <i>li</i> ., etc. . . . .		gerat, etc.

[p. 118.] Quarter-daye, die Veneris, xviii<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1640, et anno regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Harison, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Thomas Maynwaringe, Esquire.

#### Assistentes.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, senior, William Brackston\*, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour\*, junior, George Thorne\*, junior, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

At this daye it was agreed that William Webbe, malster and a forreyner, shall paye for his libertye to use mault-makinge in Readinge x*ls*. and all other fees due, which he refused to pay, and soe the former 3*li*. imposed on him was to stand.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye William Salter, a tayler and forreyner, was allowed a freeman, payeing xxxs. and all other fees due, which 30s. William Wylmer received.

At this daye the deed of Conveyaunce of the Lord Archbishop's gift to Charitable uses in this Corporacion was agayne openly read.

At this daye it was agreed that Edward Symons, payeing all rent due for the pontage the last yeare, after the rate of xvj*li*. per annum, he shall have a newe deputation for another yeare at xiiij*li*. per annum, to be paid quarterly. And in regard of his absence there was noe question of Caversham Bridge and the bargemen as was intended, but refer'd, &c.

Tuesday, 22<sup>o</sup> die Septembris, 1640. Coram Johanne Jeninges, generoso, *Majore*.

At this daye all the fremen Blacksmiths in this Towne complayne that one Edward Nitingale, a smith, beinge a forreynour, useth the trade of a blacksmith in this Corporacion to the great dammage of the freemen; it was aunswered that he is journeyman to the Widowe Parker, late wife to Humfrey Parker, a blacksmith, deceased, and worketh as her servant at 5s. a weeke, she beinge his aunt, and was advised to worke in noe other manner but as a journeyman.

Some informacions were made against one Richard Bailey, taylour, then in the Counter for his misdemeanours towardes Ma[r]garet Camyll his wive's daughter, all whiche appeare in writinge, with his examinacion uppon the file, &c.

[p. 119.] Wensdaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Septembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Harison, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. Thorne<sup>5</sup>, present, Mr. Antony Brackston, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Willyam Charter was agayne called in question about his apprentice [*blank*] Atwater, and then agreed and promised to receive and take him into his house and to keepe him duringe the residue of his apprentice-hood, accordinge to his indenture.

\* Marked as absent.

<sup>5</sup> This name is added.

Memorandum, quod Daniel Browne cognovit se debere domino Regi 40 <i>li</i> .	}	quod compareat ad proxima <sup>1</sup> Sessionem Pacis tenendam infra Burgum predictum ad respondendum ad omnia que, etc. concernentia insulta et verberacionem Johannis Rogers, etc.
Robertus Pearce, de etc. et Johannes Browne, sen., manuceperunt pro predicto Danieli separatim sub pena xx <i>li</i> .		

Signum  $\Lambda$  dicti Danielis, signum  $\mathcal{R}$  dicti Roberti,  
signum  $\times\times$  dicti Johannis Browne.

Ad Sessionem Pacis burgi Readinge.

Wensdaye, 30 Septembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Thomas Maynwaringe, Esq., Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Harison, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent\*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston\*, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham\*.

Ordered that Mr. Cooke, servant to Mr. Whitlocke, shall have 40*s*. for his paines aboute the bargaine of the land paid him by the Cofferer.

[p. 120.] Mondaye, the vth daye of October, 1640, et xvj<sup>to</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. John Jeninges, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Harison, *elect*, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

#### Assistentes.

Thomas Mainewaringe, Esq., Sceneschall, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes\*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamblyn, Christofer Blower, William Turnour jun., George Thorne, jun., Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

\* Marked as absent.



At this daye and tyme Mr. Thomas Harison, the newe elected Maiour, by direction of the Chartre, in the presence of the last predecessour Maiour and the residewe of the Aldermen and Assistantes there beinge, did take his corporall oath, viz<sup>t</sup>.

1. the oath of Supremacye.
2. the oath of Maiour and Justice of Peace, and quorum of and in this Boroughe.
3. Mr. Thomas Turnour did then take oath to doe the office of Clarke of the Market within this Boroughe duringe the yeare Mr. Thomas Harrison is Maiour.
4. Mr. John Jeninges, the late Maiour, did then take oath to doe the office of Justice of Peace within this Boroughe duringe one yeare next, &c.

At this daye the said Maiour, by and with the consent of his Brethren the Aldermen, did name and apoynt Mr. Thomas Thackham and Mr. George Wooldridge, one of the said Assistantes to doe the office of Chamberleyns.

And this daye the said Maiour did name and appoynt for Constables this yeare

William Wylder and	} Constables, jurati.
James Arnold	

and for Wardens, as followeth, &c.

John Castell and	} gardiani pro Alta garda, jurati.
Willyam Bennett	
Walter Spott and	} gardiani pro London garda, jurati.
George Hancocke	
John Deane and	} gardiani pro Minster garda, jurati.
William Salter	
Edward Baker and	} gardiani pro Old warde, jurati.
John Frewin	
Francis Thackham	} gardiani pro Nova garda, jurati.
Samuell Browne	

Wensdaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell,

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren \*, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye lettres from the Right Hon<sup>ble</sup>. the Erle of Holland, dated at Yorke, 27th September, 1640, to elect Sir James Thin, his sonne-in-lawe, to be a Burgesse in the next Parlyament for this Towne. Agreed to be aunswered by the Steward this daye.

[p. 121.] Mondaye, 12<sup>o</sup> die Octobris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamblyn, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, jun., George Thorne, jun., Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

Sutours for the Almes-house, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Robert Legg 111111111111 [14], elect.

Old Blanche.

Old Woodcocke.

At this daye the Law-daye was holden.

#### Nomina Juratorum.

William Turner, jun.	} Affir- ers, jurati.	Robertus Remnant	} jurati.
Symon Dye, gen.		William White	
Johannes Creed		Richardus Hunt	
Andrew Wright		Johannes Butler	
Richard Stampe		Johannes Cule	
Edward Knight	} jurati.	Johannes Myles	}
Robertus Tirroll		Thomas Ayres	
William Oades		Bartholmew Lake	
Thomas Eedes			

Verdict the 18th of Marche next to be brought in.

\* Marked as absent.

Mr. William Turnour, Mr. Symon Dye, John } assignati Affeir-  
 Creed, Andrew Wright, Richard Stampe } rers et jurati.

Verdict the 10th of Marche next to be brought in.

William Turnour	}	scrutatores Carnium, jurati.
Jo. Porter		
Richardus Walker	}	scrutatores Piscium, jurati.
John Drye [?]		
Hugo Grantham	}	scrutatores et sigillatores Corii.
Thomas Richardson		
Thomas Illesley		
Johannes Goodander	}	supervisores Plat' et Porcorum, jurati.
Johannes Jerome		
William Prise	}	gustatores Cervicie, jurati.
William Griffin		
William Horne	}	scrutatores Pannorum et bound', jurati.
Joseph East		

[p. 122.] Wensdaye, xiiij die Octobris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xvj<sup>o</sup>.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

#### Assistentes.

Mr. Thomas Mainewaringe \*, Sceneschall, George Wooldridge, Richard Jayes, *absent*, 3s. 4d. fine, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, *abs.*, 3s. 4d. fine, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, *abs.*, 3s. 4d. fine, William Turnour, jun., *abs.* 3s. 4d. fine, George Thorne, jun., *abs.*, 3s. 4d. fine, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye, *abs.*, 3s. 4d. fine.

At this daye Humfry Evens and Edward Brackston requested to have their neighbours voiced [?] in the eleccion of the Burgesses at the next Parliament; refer'd till Mr. Steward be in the Company, &c.

Memorandum, delivered this day to Mr. Mayour the copy of the Decree in Exchequer concerninge Mr. Kendricke's house and stocke,

\* Marked as absent.

Also delivered to Mr: Jennings the quietus for the yeare Mr. Burren was Mayour.

Munday, the 19th day of October, 1640, annoque regni regis  
Caroli Anglie, etc., 16<sup>to</sup>.

**Aldermen.**

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Mayor*. Mr. Thomas Turnor\*, Mr. John Jennings, Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

**Assistentes.**

Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall, George Woldridge, Richard Jeyes \*, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, jun., George Thorne, jun., Thomas Duell, Symon Dee.

At this daye and tyme the warrant from George Purefey, Esq., Sheriffe of the said Countye, directed to the said Maiour, Aldermen and Burgesses for the electinge of two Burgesses for the next Parlyament, was openly read and understood ; and then and there by vertue of the said precept [they] did proceed to their eleccion, first puttinge into eleccion 5.

Sir Francis Knolles, sen., [21] } Elected.  
 Sir Frauncis Knolles, jun., [16] }  
 Tanfeild Vachell, Esquire,  
 Sir Humfrey Forster, Baronet.  
 Edward Clarke, Esquire.

Begun in the Counsell-Chamber, and ended in the open Hall by a free and generall consent of all, without any contradiccion, but with great alacratye.

Whereas Richard Jayes, for refusinge to doe the office of Chamberleyne (beinge thereunto duly elected), was fined *vli.* and nowe at this daye for his dismission out of the Companye was. fyned to paye *15*li.**, soe in all *xx*li.**, was dismissed and the *xx*li.** fourth-with to be leavied.

\* Marked as absent.

Memorandum, at this eleccion of the two Burgesses, Edward Brackston, Humfrey Evens and Nicholas Westwood, three of the cheiffe commoners, beinge called into the Counsell-Chamber and acquaynted what eleccion was made, they all aunswered they could not except against either of them, but . . . &c.

[p. 123.] Wensdaye, 21<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Seneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Jeninges\*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistentes.

George Wooldridge, Edward Baker\*, William Turnor, sen.\*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, jun.\*, George Thorne, jun.\*, Thomas Duell, Symon Dee.

Agreed that Francis Thackham, jun., a pynner, shall pay for his freedome ten shillinges in money, which W[illiam] W[ilmer] received.

Agreed that the said Francis Thackham shall have the xxx*/i*. which Mr. Barnard hath in his handes upon securitie, and such conveyent roomes in Mr. Kendricke's buyldinge as may be spared, he keepinge sixe boyes from tyme to tyme in worke, and upon such other condicions as shalbe agreed upon.

Alsoe W[illiam] W[ilmer] then received xs. of William Turnour, jun., for increase money.

Alsoe W[illiam] W[ilmer] then received xs. of George Thorne, jun., for increase money.

At this daye Robert Westmerland exhibited his bill of worke and stuffe about the House of Correccion of 15*/i*. 19s. 10*d*., whiche was examined and agreed to be paid him xls., a quarter, as it shall arise and be paid every Quarter Sessions.

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 124.] Wensdaye, 28<sup>o</sup> Octobris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall; Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye Thomas Bateman was nomynated and chosen to be one of the Assistantes of this Corporacion according to the direccions of the Chartre.

At this daye alsoe James Winche made a full accompt of all th'increase money and rentes and goodes in his charge, concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's money, and all thinges reckoned and made even to this daye, except onely the 600*li*. whiche James Winche oweth by bondes, x*li*. for the last yeare's rent, and vi*li*. or more he oweth for goodes he lately bought of Mr. Anthony Brackston and others, whiche x*li*. and vi*li*. for the goodes bought he promised to paye with-in xiiij dayes next cominge.

At this daye alsoe William Wilmer according to command exhibited his accompte of all th'increase money and rentes remayninge unexpended, and expressed under his hand-writinge what is remayninge unspent and in whose handes it remayneth, whiche accompt was allowed and well accepted, as appeareth uppon the file.

Wensdaye, 4<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1640.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. William Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges \*, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistantes.

Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamblen \*,

\* Marked as absent.

Christofer Blower \*, William Turnour \*, jun., George Thorne, jun., Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye.

Agreed that Mr. Anthony Brackston and Mr. Richard Burren shall attend the hearinge of the cause for the Towne and Mr. Daniell Blagrove on the xvj<sup>th</sup> day of this instant November.

Alsoe agreed that Mr. Willmer shall deliver to Mr. Knight the 35 acquittances and the release from Mr. Daniell Blagrove, and alsoe xv*li*. in money towards bearinge the charges.

Alsoe agreed that if Mr. Kirbye and Francis Thackham, sen., ~~sale~~ with Francis Thackham, jun., the pinner, then the 30*li*. shalbe delyvered to him to be repaid within one moneth after demand ; and the seallinge of the articles is referred till another tyme.

Received the above-mencioned acquittances, release, articles and bond, and fiftene powndes per Wa : Knight.

Memorandum, postea 49*s*. 4½*d*. to Mr. Maiour in full payment of all Mr. Blagrove's money in my charge, per W. W[ilmer].

Vide le*3* bills.

[p. 125.] Mondaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

#### Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices ; Mr. Robert Malthus \*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthonye Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

#### Assistentes.

Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe \*, George Wooldridge, Edward Baker \*, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, jun. \*, George Thorne, junior \*, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye, Thomas Bateman.

At this daye Thomas Bateman was chosen an Assistant of this Boroughe, and then did take the oath to execute the office of an Assistante for this Boroughe.

At this day Mr. Thomas Bateman promised to shew his lease to this Company concerninge the waye into the Ortes.

\* Marked as absent.



At this day Mr. Anthony Brackston was onely appoynted to attend the receiveinge of the 100*li.* from the Lord Archbishoppe of Canterbury for the halfe yeare's rent ended at Michaelmas last, and alsoe to attend the hearinge of the cause betweene the Towne and Mr. Daniell Blagrove.

Wensdaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1640, et 16<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\* [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christoffer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that Sir Thomas Vachell's Almesmen shall have newe gownes before Christmas next.

At this daye Mr. Thomas Turnour, having formerly taken his oath to doe the office of Clarke of the Markett within this Boroughe for this yeare Mr. Thomas Harrison was *Maiour*, did sett and asseste the prices of Ale and Beere to be offered and sealed within this Boroughe, as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

#### Double Beere.

The best at viijs. the barrell.

The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The virkyn	.	.	.	.	ijs.
The pipkyn	.	.	.	.	xijd.

#### Small Beere.

The barrell	.	.	.	.	vjs.
The kilderkyn	.	.	.	.	iijs.
The virkyn	.	.	.	.	xvijd.
The pipkyn	.	.	.	.	ixd.

#### Ale.

The dussen	.	.	.	.	iiij <i>d</i> .
A full Ale quart of the best Beere or Ale	.	.	.	.	j <i>d</i> .
Two full Ale quartes of the small Ale or Beere	.	.	.	.	j <i>d</i> .

\* Marked as absent.

[p. 126.] Mondaye, 23<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jennings, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that the visited people at the pest-houses (beinge none of them sicke, nor none dyed there sithence they were had thither) shall fourthwith be brought home to their owne howses agayne and there shall have their ordinarye allowapce from weeke, prout, etc.

At this daye the Lord Archbishopp's lettres sent by Mr. Anthony Brackston, testifyeinge that his Grace had sent an hundred poundes, whiche is the rent of the landes at Braye, whiche his Grace hath geven to the Towne for this haulf-yeare endinge at Michaelmas last, wishinge the Maiour and Aldermen to paye the money and to bynd out the poore boyes apprentices at the tymes and in the manner as is prescribed in the conveighaunce, &c. Vide le3 lettres super le file.

Agreed alsoe that Mr. Burningham shall to-morowe acquaynt Mr. Alderman of Wokingham about the choosinge of a poore boye for their Towne, accordinge to the Lord of Canterburie his Grace's direccions, and alsoe to send to Braye for the like purpose, that they maye meete at Readinge on Wensdaye next in the forenoone to understand the conveighaunce in that poynt.

And agreed alsoe that Mr. John Jeninges shall paye the Vicar of St. Lawrence Churche xxv*li.*, and to the Schoolemaster of the Free-schoole x*li.*, they gevinge acquittaunces.

[p. 127.] Wensdaye, 25<sup>o</sup> Novembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent \*, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antonye Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham \*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye Edward Wilmer was chosen and apoynted to be Towne-Clarke with his Father, and did take his oath to doe the office accordinglye.

And it was then agreed that they for their attendaunce and doeing the busynes shall have for their salarye and stipend 40*li.* per annum, to be paid quarterlye by equall portions.

And agreed it shalbe raised and paid out of these particuler revenues and receiptes, viz<sup>t</sup>.

	<i>li.</i>
Of the Towne Hall . . . . .	25 0 0
Of the House of Correccion . . . . .	04 0 0
Of Mr. William Kendricke's . . . . .	01 0 0
Of Sir Thomas Vachell's, &c. . . . .	01 0 0
Of Mr. John Kendricke's, &c. . . . .	05 0 0
Of the Charitable uses, &c. . . . .	04 0 0
	<hr/> 40 0 0 <hr/>

At this daye Katherine Smyth, widowe, was chosen and apoynted to have the Almes-house nowe void of Mr. Barnard Harrison's foundation.

Agreed that a warrant shalbe presentlye made to the Constables and Sergeantes for the gathering and levyeing the residue of the last taxe for the visited people, &c. Vide lej file.

Mondaye, 30 Novembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the eleccion of the ten poore Boyes borne in Readinge to be bound apprentices, by direccions of the Lord Archebishopp's of Canterburie his Grace's apoyntment, were nomynated and agreed to be bound to suche Masters as the Maiour and Aldermen did agree to take them apprentices, with ten poundes a-peice of the said Lord Archebishopp's charitable free-guift to that intent and purpose for ten Boyes in Readinge.

And Mr. Humfrey Beckley, an ancient parishioner of Braye, in the behaulfe of the said parishe came and named a poore Boye to be bound apprentice in like manner, to have *xlii.* geven with that poore Boye as the said Lord Archebishop's conveyance directeth, and promised to bringe the Boye to be bound on Wensdaye next.

And the Alderman and some of his Brethren of Wokingham in like manner, to whome the nomynacion of a poore Boye borne in Wokingham by the said Lord Archebischopp's conveyhaunce it belongeth, sent the name of a poore Boye called Humfrey White, borne in Wokingham, to be bound apprentice and to have the *xlii.* geven to his Master, as is intended, &c. and his cominge and byndinge is expected. Vide le3 file, et le3 Indentures, prout, etc.

At this daye alsoe Mr. Maiour paid Mr. John Kendricke's charitable guift of *xxvli.* due at Michaellmas last to the Overseers for the poore, viz<sup>t</sup>.

To Mr. Thomas Bateman and Mr. Thomas Seickes, overseers for the poore of St. Giles' parishe . . . . .	}	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
		<i>viiij</i>	<i>vj</i>	<i>viiij</i>
To Mr. John Dewell, Clement Marlowe and Thomas Cope, overseers for the poore of St. Lawrence parishe . . . . .	}	<i>viiij</i>	<i>vj</i>	<i>viiij</i>
To Mr. William Turnour and Richard Alright, overseers for the poore of St. Marye parishe . . . . .	}	<i>viiij</i>	<i>vj</i>	<i>viiij</i>

And then he paid Mr. Wooldridge 50s. from Thomas Lowgrove.

[p. 128.] Wensdaye, 2<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. 16<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall; Mr. Thomas Turnor [and] Mr. John Jennings, justices; Mr. Robert Maulthus, Mr. Christofer Turnor, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren\*, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that the buyldinge of the Pest-houses, and the taxe for relief of the visited people shalbe considered on uppon Mondaye next by all the Companye.

Agreed that the pontage money shalbe leavyed accordinge to the graunt therof from the Kinge's Majestie.

\* Marked as absent.

Mondaye, 7<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc., xvj<sup>o</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynewaringe, Sceneschall; Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen.\*, William Brackston, Edward Hamblen \*, Christofer Blower\*, William Turnour, jun.\*, George Thorne, jun.\*, Thomas Dewell, Symon Dye \*, Thomas Bateman.

At this daye it was agreed that Walter Fellowe, in recompence of his and his partener Richard Hollowaye's charges and dammages susteyned in the suites brought against them by Mr. Thomas Baldwyn, shall have one of the 8*oli.* of Mr. John Kendricke's rentes for ten yeares, accordinge to the decree, so soone as convenyentlye it maye be had.

And at this daye it was alsoe agreed that severall taxes shalbe made for the relief of the visited people by it-self; and for the buildinge of the Pest-houses by it-self, (if by lawe this maye be soe raised.)

And at this daye alsoe it was agreed that Thomas Lovegrove payeing *v*li.** for the use of the poore shall have licence under the seale to alyen and assigne his lease of the farme and landes at North-streete to Henry Knappe, the younger.

[p. 129.] Wensdaye, 9<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, annoque regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc. xvj<sup>to</sup>.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour, Mr. John Jeninges \*, Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell \*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren \*, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

\* Marked as absent.

At this daye it was agreed that a little watche-house for the shelter of the watche-men and wardens of the visited people shalbe fourthwith buylt with bricke in a convenyent place neare the Condit Close, &c.

And at this daye it was ordered that Mr. John Jeninges, uppon Wensdaye next, shall bring in the [*blank*] residue of the Lord Archbishopp's rent to paye Mr. Doctour Floyd, the Vicar of St. Lawrence Church, his 25*li.* due at Michaellmas last, and the x*li.* to be laid into the Hall-chest till the Visitours shall come.

And that Mr. Burningham shall make his accompte on Mondaye next.

Fridaye, xj<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640. Coram Johanne Jennings, generoso et justiciario, Petro Burningham, generoso.

The accomptes of the fines and amerciamentes of the Lawdaies, and Clarke of the Markett this yeare were had and taken as followeth, videlicet :

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Received of Francis Thackham in money collected	35	07	11
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Whereof was paid to Francis Thackham for collecting the same after 2 <i>s.</i> in the pounce	03	10	00
Item, given to the Aletasters	01	00	0
Item, given to Jo. Jerome and Goodander for their paines	01	00	0
Item, given to Bartholmew Lake for his paines	00	10	0
Item, paid to Mr. Rogers for the amerciament role	00	02	6
Item, paid to Roger Symons for wood spent in burninge of unholosome fleshe	00	05	0
Item, paid to Edw. Willmer for writinge th'accompt	00	02	6
Item, paid for expences att this accompte	00	07	11
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Paid in all	06	17	11
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Soe rest to the Chamberlaine	28	10	00
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which Mr. Peter Burningham then received, and then rested ungathered to the some of [*blank*].



[p. 130.] Mondaye, 14 Decembris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye the Hall accomptes for the yeare Mr. John Jeninges was *Maiour*, viz<sup>t</sup>. from Mondaye next after Michaelmas-daye, 1639, untill Mondaye next after Michaelmas-daye, 1640, were made and geven upp before the said *Maiour* and Aldermen by Mr. Peter Burningham, the seniour Chamberleyne, whoe had the charge thereof for that yeare, and was then by the rent-rolle of that yeare charged as followeth, viz<sup>t</sup>.

Receiptes.		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Rentes certen by lease and ferme	.	258	17	11
Olde quitrentes	.	000	13	00
Rentes for encrochmentes	.	000	10	00
Readye money at the last accomptes	.	108	00	4
Fredome money of apprentices	.			
Fynes of Forreynours per composicion	.			
Amerciamentes of the ij Law-dayes and of the	.			
Clarke of the Markett	.			
Arrerages of rentes receaved	.			
Herryottes due by death of tenantes	.			
Fynes for leases in this yeare	.			
Casuall and uncerten receiptes	.			
Recepta totalia	.	368	1	3
Paymentes.		<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Ordinary, as appeareth	.	145	08	4
Extraordinary, as appeareth	.	101	17	10
More to be abated for rentes not received	.	015	12	4
More for arrerages of quitrentes	.	000	03	10
More for arrerages of inicroachmentes	.	000	02	10
Paid in all	.	263	5	2
Soe rest to the Hall	.	104	16	1



Which 10*4**li.* 16*s.* 1*d.* was presently delyvered to Mr. Thomas Thackham, the succeedinge Chamberlaine.

And moreover the said accomptant charged himselfe with the receipte of theis monyes followeing, videlicet :

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>	<i>d.</i>
Of Mr. Whistler for halfe a yeare's rent due at our Lady-day, 1640 . . . . .	13	5	0
Of Mr. Whitlocke for halfe a yeare's rent then due .			
Of William Wylmer, parte of the common stocke .	50	00	0
In all . . . . .	106	15	0
Whereof was paid to Mr. Burren for debt .	105	10	0

Soe rested 1*li.* 5*s.*, which was delyvered to Mr. Thomas Thackham.

[p. 131.] 14<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, 16<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.  
Coram Thoma Harrison, generoso, *Majore*, etc.

Mary Tanner, servant to John Johnson at the Shippe, in Reading, complayneth that she is with childe begotten by Nicholas Johnson, and saith that he had carnall knowledge of her bodye aboute a fortnight past Midsomer last, and divers tymes since, upon pretence of mariage with her, and she accusinge him, he did run awaye.

Nicholas Johnson, servant to the said John Johnson, denyes that ever he had any carnall knowledge of her, or ever promised her mariage.

Nicholaus Johnson cognovit	}	quod ipse compareat ad proximam Sessionem Pacis tenendam apud et in Reading pro Burgo predicto ad respondendum omnibus hiis que obijciuntur.
se debere domino Regi		
40 <i>li.</i> . . . . .		
Jo. Johnson, sen.	}	manucep' separatim in 20 <i>li.</i> .
Jo. Johnson, jun.		

Signum ○ dicti Nicholaii Johnson.

[Signed] John Johnson, sen.

John Johnson, jun.

Ad Sessionem Pacis in hoc Burgo.

Comparuit et tenuit ad proximam Sessionem. Vide librum pro Sessione Pacis Burgi.

14<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640.

Then delyvered to Mr. William Turnour in St. Giles' parishe and the rest of the Jury the brasen halfe-hundred-waight with some lead upon him.

14<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640. Alsoe Mr. Thackham then acknowledged to have received of Mr. Jeyes twentye poundes. And of William Wylmer five poundes, ten shillings, which William Wylmer formerly had of Mr. Richard Burren. And alsoe of William Wylmer fortye shillings, which was received from Edward Symons.

	<i>li.</i>	<i>s.</i>
And soe Mr. Thackham received in all . . .	133	11
Memorandum, besides all this Mr. Thackham received Mr. Whitlocke's rent due at Michaelmas last . . .	43	10
And alsoe received of Mr. Whistler his rent due at Michaellmas last . . .	13	5
Memorandum, there was given to William Cooke out of the 43 <sup>li.</sup> 10s. the sume of . . .	2	10

[p. 132.] Wensdaye, 16<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Maynwaring, Sceneschall, Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. John Jeninges, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell\*, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antony Brackston\*, Mr. Richard Burren\*, Mr. Peter Burningham\*, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

As touchinge the horse brought to Phillpottes, the poulterer, by his boy [*blank*] Chesterman, from London, it is ordered and resolved that the said horse shalbe seised by the Towne and delyvered into Mr. Burningham's hand, and he shall have the use and keepinge of him for a yeare and day, he payeinge the charges of his meate alreadye spent, and keepinge him well duringe the tyme.

And the boy to be bounde for his forthcominge with a suretye at the next Assizes.

\* Marked as absent.

And the horse to be cryed accordinge to the lawe and especially in Brainford Markett; and the horse to be apprised by three men.

Agreed that eleaven weekes' taxe for the visited people shalbe forth-with made, levyed and gathered towards their releife, accordinge to the Church bookes.

Agreed that the Quarter Sessions for the Towne shalbe holden on Thursdaye senight next, after Twelfe-daye next, and a warrant to be made to the Serjeant to returne a Jury for that daye.

[p. 133.] Quarter-daye, Fridaye, 18<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, et xvj<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Antony Brackston \*, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistantes.

Mr. Thomas Mainewaringe, George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston \*, Edward Hamblen, Christofer Blower, William Turnour, jun., George Thorne, junior \*, Thomas Dewell \*, Symon Dye, Thomas Bateman \*.

At this daye it was agreed that Willyam Webb, a malster, shall pay for his libertye to make malt within this Boroughe, at Ladye-daye next, xls. Promised per se.

And at this daye John Mihell, a pynmaker, — it was agreed he shalbe allowed to use his trade within the Boroughe, he payeing xxs. at or before Lady-daye next.

And it was alsoe this daye agreed that Robert Smart, a silke-wever, payeing xxs. at or before Ladye-daye next shall or maye use his said trade within the said Boroughe.

Agreed that Mr. Robert Dee's rent for his stable and other thinges he holdeth at the old Yeldhall shall stand as it was formerly ordered.

Agreed alsoe that George Lamboll, a maltster, payeing 50s. at or before Lady-daye next, shalbe permitted to use the trade of

\* Marked as absent.

malt-makinge within this Boroughe, but noe other trade, and promised to paye the 50s. then, if he staye in Towne.

At this daye Thomas Lovegrove refused to paye the *vli.* and to accept of a licence to doe a-waye his lease at that rate to Henry Knappe, jun.

[p. 134.] 21<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, et 16<sup>o</sup> regni regis Caroli Anglie, etc.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Turnour\* [and] Mr. John Jeninges, justices; Mr. Robert Malthus, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

At this daye it was agreed that Doctour Floyd, the Vicar of St. Lawrence Church, shall have the yearlye payment of sixe poundes as his predecessour Mr. Theophilus Taylour had, the said Mr. Doctour Floyd preachinge the six sermons at the accustomed tymes in this Boroughe, provided alwayes that this agreement shall stand at the will and pleasure of this Companye.

At this daye it was agreed that Edward Shipwaye, the skavinger, shall hold that office noe longer but this St. Thomas'-daye, and thencefourth his payment shall cease.

And that John Edsoll shalbe skavinger, and he shall sweepe, clense and carrye awaye all the soile arisinge by his sweeping, prout, etc.

Monday, 28<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640, et 16<sup>o</sup> Caroli regis, etc.

Mr. Thomas Harrison, *Maiour*. Mr. Thomas Mainewaringe, Sceneschall.

Aldermen.

Mr. Thomas Turnour\*, Mr. John Jennings\*, Mr. Robert Malthus\*, Mr. Christofer Turnour, Mr. John Newman, Mr. Robert Bent, Mr. John Dewell, Mr. George Thorne, Mr. Anthony Brackston, Mr. Richard Burren, Mr. Peter Burningham, Mr. Thomas Thackham.

Assistentes.

George Wooldridge, Edward Baker, William Turnour, sen., William Brackston, Edward Hamlin, Christofer Blower, William Turnor, jun.\*, George Thorne, jun., Thomas Dewell, Simon Dye, Thomas Bateman.

\* Marked as absent.

Whether the decree concerning Mr. John Kendricke's guift should be desired to be confirmed by Act of Parliament, yea, or noe?

It was this daye ordered by the said Maiour, Aldermen and Assistantes that the decree of and concerninge Mr. John Kendricke's guift should be confirmed by Act of Parliament, if by the advice of learned Counsell it maye be done.

And at this daye and tyme it was agreed that Mr. Thomas Maynewaring and Mr. Anthonye Brackston shall attend Sir Frauncis Knollis, and have his direccion to suche Counsell for the makinge of the bill or petition, as in that case by Mr. Steward shalbe advised, and to have a Soliciter to attend and followe the busynes, if need be.

And they to have the coppye of the decree with them, and a coppie of the will printed, whiche Mr. Willyam Turnour, senior, hath promised to lend, havinge it agayne.

Agreed alsoe that Walter Fellow shall have the 80*li*. apoynted to be first lent accordinge to the decree.

[p. 135.] 28<sup>o</sup> Decembris, 1640.

Joseph Paise, sonne of Francis Paise, broadweaver, deceased, is to be bound apprentice to John Wye, broadwever, from St. Thomas'-daye, 1638, for 7 yeares, &c. ; at th'end to have xvs., &c., and he is to have the first *v*li**. that cometh in at Easter next, &c., payeing xs. per annum; bound John Wye and Danyell Weare, broadwever.

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